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Expert panel to back LRT

Report. Criteria that was considered includes environmental sustainability and cost effectiveness

Mayor Rob Ford campaigns for the Sheppard subway at Victoria Park and Sheppard Avenue Thursday with a group of S.A.F.E (Subways Are For Everyone) supporters. RICK EGLINTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

An expert transit panel will overwhelmingly urge city council to put light-rail transit (LRT) on Sheppard Avenue — a finding dismissed by Mayor Rob Ford without seeing the report to be made public Friday.

The panel members used rigorous analysis to rank each of three options — LRT, a full subway line or building two subway stops to Victoria Park Avenue — keeping in mind the province's $8.4 billion in promised funding for Toronto transit expansion.

Panel members used nine criteria for each option, giving a score out of five for each. The numbers were tallied, with some criteria given extra weight.

The scores, which will be reflected in the panel's strong recommendation for LRT on Sheppard, but might not appear in the report itself, are 87.3 per cent for LRT, 59.3 per cent for a subway line and 59.5 per cent for construction of two subway stops, the Toronto Star has learned.

A source close to the panel said the report will also recommend that revenue generators such as road tolls be strongly considered to fund region-wide transit expansion.

Ford and his point man on subway financing, Gordon Chong, want any new revenues aimed solely at a Sheppard subway, which was a key promise in Ford's successful 2010 mayoral campaign.

Panel members include representatives of the provincial Metrolinx transportation agency, the TTC, Toronto CivicAction Alliance, former mayor David Crombie and Chong. Coun. Maria Augimeri, a TTC board member, said the report should guide councillors when they vote Wednesday on Sheppard's transit future.

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An 'apolitical report'

"Finally, councillors will be able to make an informed decision with this non-partisan, apolitical report that has input from a broad strata of city of Toronto players."

Coun. Maria Augimeri, a TTC board member

Support split in labour talks

A CUPE poll shows 44 per cent of Torontonians would side with the city over front-line municipal workers during labour discussions PAGE 2

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One-year mark for Syria's revolt

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The province is cutting billions of dollars in infrastructure spending, but Toronto's transit expansion is not on the chopping block PAGE 6

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Court. Accused admits being near shooting, but denies murdering man

A rap artist charged with murdering "gentle giant" Kenneth Mark admits he was several blocks away from the shooting but denies being involved.

"I don't know who shot Kenneth Mark," Lamar Skeete told a Toronto jury Thursday. "I had nothing to do with the murder."

Skeete has pleaded not guilty in Ontario Superior Court to first-degree murder in the Dec. 29, 2009, execution-style shooting of Mark, a towering man known for his kindly disposition.

The Crown alleges Skeete and accomplices murdered Mark, 30, at around 9:45 p.m. for breaking the code of silence.

Lamar Skeete CONTRIBUTED

But Skeete, 21, testified he had an uneventful day, hanging out with friends and watching a movie at his girlfriend's house.

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Residents favour city — just barely

Poll. Research says slim majority of Torontonians side with city hall over municipal workers in labour talks

By a thin margin, Toronto residents say they typically would side with the city over front-line municipal workers during labour discussions, a union-sponsored poll shows.

When asked "whose side are you usually on?" 39 per cent of respondents said workers, 44 per cent said the city and seven per cent declared themselves neutral. Sympathy for the city was higher among homeowners and university graduates when compared with tenants and people with a high school or college education.

This new information is the second half of a CUPE poll released to the Toronto Star Wednesday, which showed Torontonians overwhelmingly stand behind the city's library workers. This was good news for union negotiators, who have until Sunday at 12:01 a.m. to reach a deal. At that time, they are in legal strike position or could be locked out by the city.

This non-automated telephone poll was conducted from March 9 to 12. Its margin of error is plus or minus four per cent.

A CUPE official said what was particularly interesting about the data is that while people are narrowly more likely to support the city, the majority still think a strike would be justified if negotiators demand weakened job security or benefit cuts.

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Trudeau brings star power to Toronto-Danforth debate

Liberal MP Justin Trudeau, right, comes out to show support for Grant Gordon, the Liberal candidate in the Toronto-Danforth byelection, during the debate at the Don Mills United Church Thursday. DAVID COOPER/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

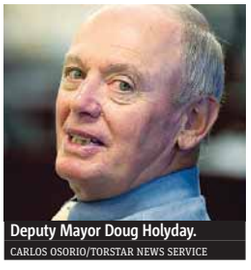
TCHC. Holyday wants cash back from ex-CFO

Toronto's deputy mayor wants Toronto Community Housing to seek nearly $60,000 from its former chief financial officer who, according to a confidential auditor's report, received a car allowance while also using a free, leased vehicle.

"It's a sizeable amount of money involved in this matter," Doug Holyday said, referring to the recent confidential report city auditor general Jeffrey Griffiths presented to Toronto Community Housing board members last month.

According to a Globe and Mail account, Griffiths' report alleges the former TCHC executive began receiving a $500 car allowance as part of his job in 2003, an amount that increased to $600 in 2007.

But in 2005 the CFO started driving a leased vehicle paid for by a subsidiary of TCHC, at a cost of nearly $60,000 over five years, according to the article.



Deputy Mayor Doug Holyday. CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Last month's TCHC meeting was told the individual involved was Gordon Chu, who retired in 2010, a source confirmed to the Toronto Star.

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Crime

Teen suspects sought following shooting

Police are investigating after a 19-year-old man was shot in the arm Thursday.

The shooting happened around 2 a.m. at a banquet hall on Arrow Road, just south of Finch Avenue West at Highway 400. The victim was leaving an all-ages party at the time.

The victim's chain necklace was also stolen.

Police are looking for a number of teen suspects, who were all dressed in black and around the age of 18 or 19. They say people who were at the scene were not co-operating, and they're looking for witnesses to come forward.

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Foundation. Mayor vows to continue helping kids in need despite lawsuit

Mayor Rob Ford says he's not going to stop helping kids because of a lawsuit seeking to turf him from office because of his private football foundation.

A Toronto man asked the courts this week to force Ford to step down, alleging he violated conflict-of-interest rules by taking part in a council debate and voting on an issue of financial benefit to him.

The integrity commissioner had ordered the mayor to pay money back amid accusations that Ford misused city resources to solicit donations for his foundation.

At a news conference about Toronto's subway plans, Ford told reporters he couldn't comment on the lawsuit.

But, he says, his foundation has helped "thousands of kids" get an education and get off the streets, and he will continue working to help kids.

Ford says he runs his foundation out of the goodness of his heart, and he won't stop coaching kids or helping them get an education.

None of the allegations in the lawsuit have been proven in court.

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'Kettling.' European court backs a crowd control tactic deplored by Toronto police

The European court of human rights ruled Thursday that a contentious crowd control tactic called "kettling" is the most effective method for containing protesters.

The controversial technique, in which riot police box in protesters from all angles, leaving no room for escape, was denounced by Toronto police following the June 2010 G20 summit.

Police here have said they will never again use the tactic after infamously kettling about 300 protesters and bystanders near Queen Street and Spadina Avenue the rainy evening of June 27, 2010. The act, captured on live TV, led to hundreds of arrests. Most detainees were released without charge that night.

Police chief Bill Blair condemned kettling in his 2011 review of G20 policing.

"Premature displays of real or implied force can lead to negative crowd reactions that may escalate a situation," Blair wrote.

But the ruling in France, after more than 10 years of legal disputes stemming from a 2001 anti-globalization demonstration at London's Oxford Circus, deemed kettling to be the "least intrusive and most effective" way to cordon protesters.

"The court is unable to identify a moment when the measure changed from what was, at most, a restriction on freedom of movement, to a deprivation of liberty," the court ruling declared, according to the Guardian.

The judges, who voted in favour 14-3, said kettling doesn't violate the European Convention on Human Rights.

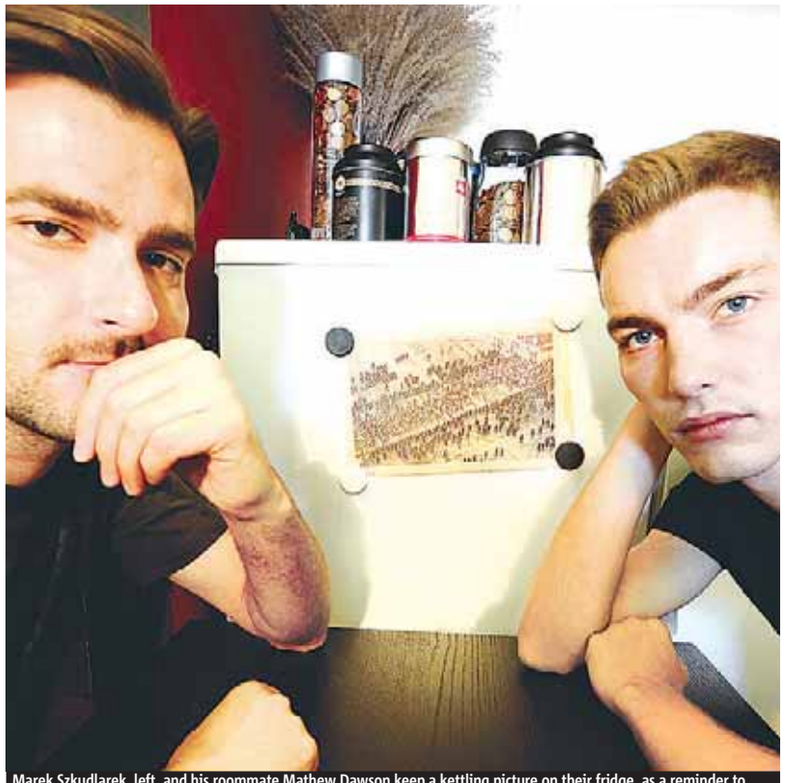
Thursday's ruling, however, comes with a caveat.

"It must be underlined that measures of crowd control should not be used by the national authorities directly or indirectly to stifle or discourage protest, given the fundamental importance of freedom of expression and assembly in all democratic societies," it said.

In a public opinion poll commission by the Toronto Star last summer, 50 per cent of respondents said G20 kettling was unjustified, with 43 per cent in favour. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Campaign

- **Lois Austin.** The campaign to abolish kettling had been led by protester Lois Austin, who claimed she was unable to reach her infant daughter after she was contained by police during the Oxford Circus protest.
- **Different decision.** The decision follows an April, 2011 British High Court ruling, which found the 2009 kettling of London G20 protesters to be illegal.



Marek Szkudlarek, left, and his roommate Mathew Dawson keep a kettling picture on their fridge, as a reminder to themselves and others of what happened to them on June 27, 2010. COLIN MCCONNELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Mariam Makhniashvili

March 24 funeral for Toronto teen

A funeral will be held March 24 for Mariam Makhniashvili, the teenager who disappeared outside her high school 2 1/2 years ago and whose body was found last week.

A lawyer for the family confirmed the date and says it's likely her father will be able to attend.

Vakhtang Makhniashvili is serving a six-year prison term after pleading guilty last year to three counts of aggravated assault after two separate stabbing incidents, one involving a neighbour and the other a couple who had posted his bail. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Halton region

Teacher charged with indecent act

Halton regional police say an elementary school teacher has been charged with committing an indecent act.

Police say Scott Dempster, 36, of Oakville, is also charged with mischief.

He is accused of exposing himself to a 15-year-old boy. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A groundskeeper works Thursday for the upcoming season at St. George's Golf Club on Islington Avenue. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE.

Private golf clubs cost taxpayers

It's a $37 million dispute that every year costs taxpayers millions more, but the standoff between city hall and nine subsidized private golf clubs has barely moved since council ordered action a year and a half ago.

Thanks to a decades-old agreement intended to preserve urban green space, a handful of exclusive country clubs — whose members have paid as much as six figures to enrol — are permitted to defer annual property tax payments.

As of this year, it has cost the city more than $37 million in potential tax revenue.

The situation is an optics nightmare for the posh clubs, but owners say they are handcuffed under the current terms.

The deals were designed in the 1950s and 1960s during an unprecedented development boom in the province. Developers were buying up green space at an alarming rate, so the municipalities of Etobicoke, North York, Scarborough, Toronto and York signed agreements with local courses to prevent clubs from selling.

2010 vote

- **In August 2010, council voted 19-11 to negotiate a new arrangement with club owners, which would either see the deal scrapped or at least provide more public access.**

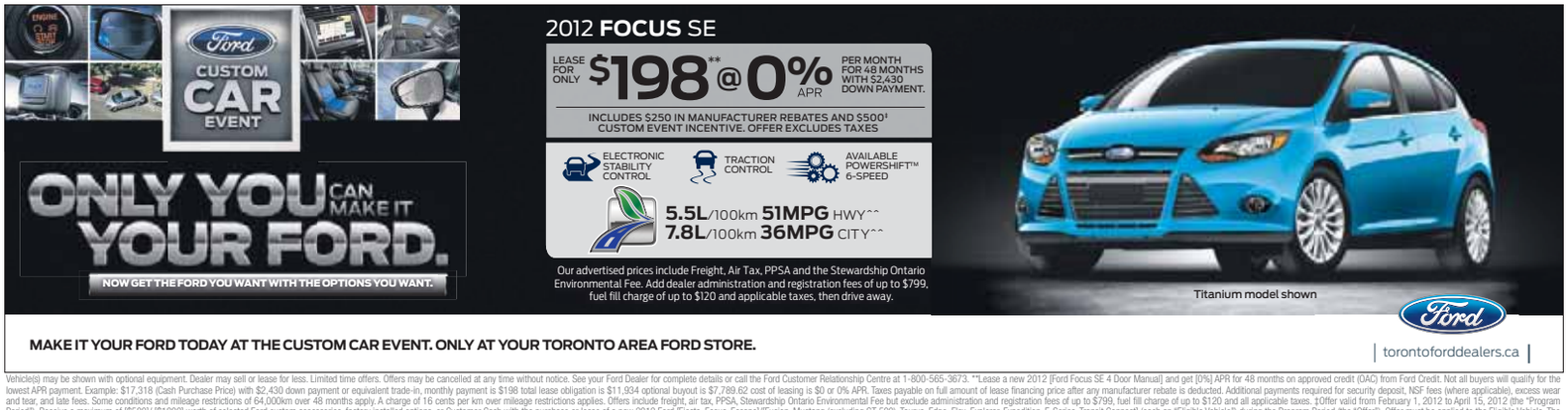
In exchange for promising to stay a golf course, clubs could defer between 10 and 30 per cent of their property tax payment. If they ever chose to sell, it would need to be repaid with interest. Those contracts were made in perpetuity and in order to revisit the terms, both parties would need to agree.

To further complicate the problem, several years ago the Municipal Property Assessment Corp. changed the way it evaluates golf courses, which caused the tax rate to spike.

Golf courses across the province appealed.

In 2010, owners said they couldn't discuss new options until the amount of money owed is settled.

This process is finally coming to a close. MPAC has signed deals with about half of the clubs in question, and the remaining owners have received the new assessment numbers and are currently reviewing them. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE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Investigation

Reporter's home raided by police

Police raided the home of a Montreal reporter on Thursday after he wrote an exposé on the lax protection given to hospital records.

Le Journal de Montreal's Eric-Yvan Lemay has not been charged with any crime.

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Child killer

Turcotte fit to be freed: Psychiatrist

A psychiatrist says a man who fatally stabbed his children dozens of times in 2009 is fit to be released from a mental hospital.

Louis Morissette said Thursday that Guy Turcotte has changed considerably and is not the same man as before.

Turcotte was found not criminally responsible in the deaths of his five-year-old son Olivier and his three-year-old daughter Anne-Sophie.

He admitted causing the deaths in February 2009 but denied intent.

Turcotte said he was distraught over the breakup of his marriage and didn't remember committing the act.

Morissette was testifying at hearings on whether to release Turcotte from a psychiatric hospital or keep him there for another year.

Morissette said there is no medical reason to keep Turcotte in the Pinel Institute.

But Turcotte's ex-wife, Isabelle Gaston, took issue with that view, saying she can't believe how specialists can reach the conclusion he no longer represents a danger to society.

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Guy Turcotte holds his daughter in this undated photo. THE CANADIAN PRESS/MONTREAL LA PRESSE/HANDOUT

Mudslide

Homes evacuated near Collingwood

Up to a dozen homeowners in Craigleith have been told they should leave their homes after a mudslide in the Collingwood area. Ontario Provincial Police say the mudslide began Wednesday night and continued into Thursday night.

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Infrastructure spending to get the axe

Budget. TTC expansion funding won't be cut, minister confirms

Ontario will cancel or delay billions of dollars in planned infrastructure spending in the March 27 budget to save "hundreds of millions in interest costs," says Finance Minister Dwight Duncan.

A grim-faced Duncan said Thursday that his spending plan would be the "most significant" since Premier Dalton McGuinty's Liberals were first elected in 2003.

While the treasurer said $8.4 billion in TTC expansion funding is not on the chopping block, he declined to say what is.

"There will be significant reductions in infrastructure spending in the coming years, which will save us hundreds of millions in interest costs over time," he told reporters at Queen's Park.

"They will not affect the Toronto Transit Commission or public transit here in Toronto."

The savings will come from major cuts to a three-year $35-billion spending program announced in last year's budget.

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The big question

- **No tax hike.** Dwight Duncan said he would not increase taxes, though some business fees will be raised, including processing charges that haven't increased in 25 years.
- **Mum on business.** Duncan refused to confirm a planned reduction of corporate taxes from 11.5 per cent to 10 per cent by July.

Fear, fight and the human condition

Malgorzata Nowacka, Brendan Wyatt, and Lee (Lethal) Pham rehearse for The Chimera Project's new production, The Calm Before... The show premieres this Monday at the Enwave Theatre at the Harbourfront Centre. COURTESY SIAN RICHARDS

Child luring. Man charged after officer poses as girl

A 45-year-old Ottawa man has been charged with child luring offences after an undercover online operation.

Police say an officer who posed as a 14-year-old girl was contacted at an Internet chat site and arranged to meet a man.

The man was arrested Wednesday and investigators seized computers and related media from his residence and workplace.

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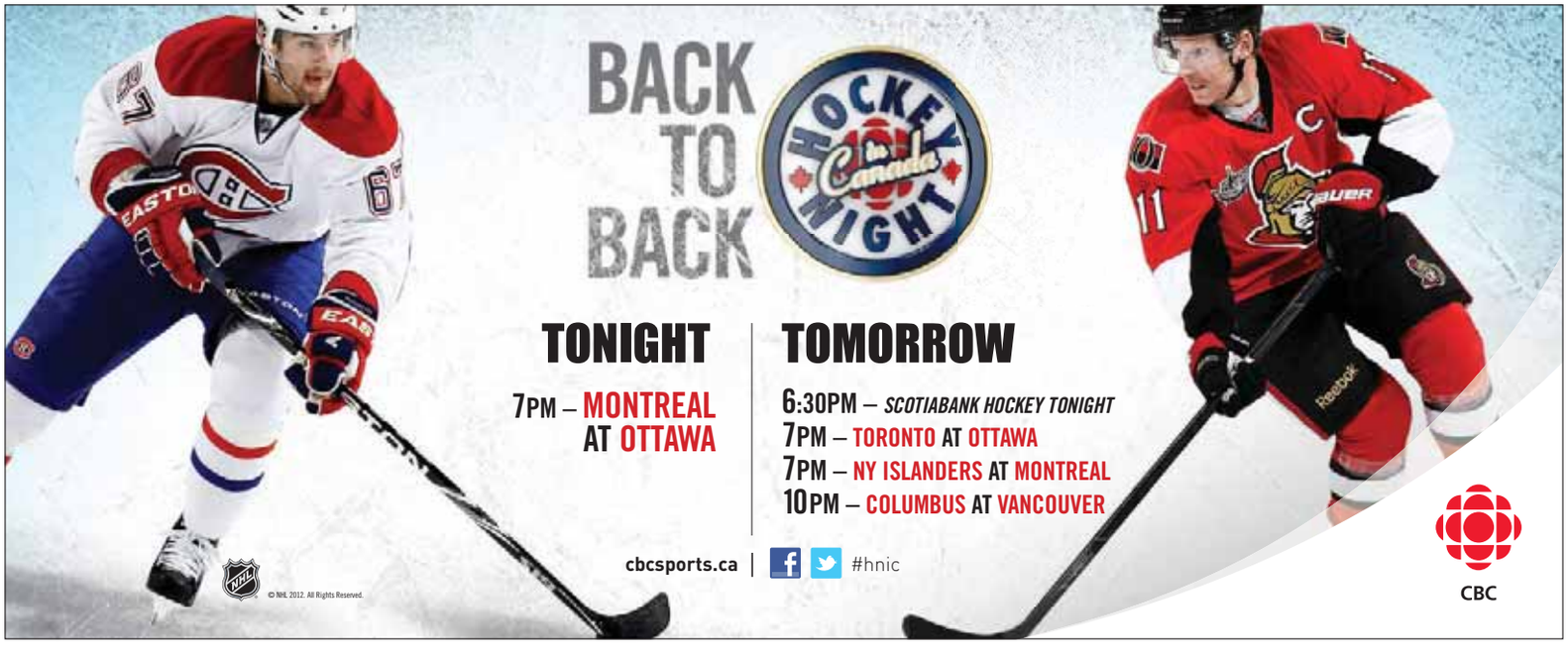

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Kony 2012 video screenings ceased in the wake of Ugandan backlash

Outcry. Ugandans are upset that the video aims to make Kony famous and that his face is plastered on T-shirts, posters

Ugandans watch the screening of Kony 2012 in Lira on March 13, 2012. GETTY IMAGES

Video feedback

- **Warning.** The Ugandan government said it welcomed any effort to catch Kony but warned against misrepresenting the status of the LRA, which is a diminished group not exceeding 300 members, currently not active in Uganda.
- **Memories.** In the northern town of Lira, the film resurrected bad memories of Kony, who abducted up to 30,000 children and left millions homeless.
- **Critics.** Filmmaker Jason Russell has been criticized for including his young son, Gavin, in the video.

Ugandan criticism of a viral video about a brutal central Africa warlord continued to swell in the wake of a public screening in a remote Ugandan town once terrorized by the Lord's Resistance Army.

The head of a Ugandan charity that showed Kony 2012 said Thursday he will suspend further screenings after getting overwhelmingly negative feedback from viewers on Tuesday who failed to understand why there were so many white faces in the video, or why Kony needs to be made famous.

The collective feedback amounts to a rejection of the video in a region that was once terrorized by Kony. The American advocacy group Invisible Children wants to raise global awareness of the fugitive rebel leader who is wanted by the International Criminal Court for war crimes and crimes against humanity.

"There was a strong sense from the audience that the video was insensitive to African and Ugandan audiences, and that it did not accurately portray the conflict or the victims," Victor Ochen of the African Youth Initiative Network, said in a statement.

The video, which has been viewed nearly 80 million times on YouTube, has put Kony in the international spotlight, but some critics have said the video oversimplified the conflict. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

75 charged in Egypt soccer riot

Egypt's top prosecutor on Thursday charged 75 people in connection with a deadly soccer riot last month in the Mediterranean city of Port Said in which authorities said fans were thrown to their death off the stadium walls and others killed by explosives as they tried to flee.

Scores of fans face murder charges and nine police officers were accused of complicity in murder, in the Feb. 1 riot that left at least 74 people dead. It was the world's worst soccer-related disaster in 15 years.

The riot began minutes after the final whistle in a league game between Cairo club al-Ahly and al-Masry of Port Said. The home side won 3-1 but its fans set upon the rival supporters in a killing frenzy that witnesses said lasted 30 minutes. Many witnesses claimed that policemen at the venue did nothing to stop the bloodshed.

The riot shocked soccer crazy Egypt, deepening the sense of uncertainty felt by many as their nation continues to be roiled by unrest a year after the ouster of longtime authoritarian leader Hosni Mubarak.

That senior police officers were charged in connection with the tragedy would lend credence to persistent claims that the nation's much hated police were deliberately turning a blind eye to the wave of violent crime gripping Egypt over the past year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Death toll

74

At least 74 people were killed in the worst soccer-related riot in 15 years last month in Port Said, Egypt.

Thousands of Egyptian supporters of Al-Ahly football club chant slogans during a march in Cairo on Thursday to demand justice for the dozens of people killed in stadium violence last month. MOHAMMED HOSSAM/GETTY IMAGES

More than $4K raised

Beauty queen goes bald

The Miss Alaska pageant requires contestants to perform a public service project, and under Debbe Ebben's silver tiara is evidence of hers.

She has raised more than $4,000 for children's cancer research, and last weekend she delivered on a promise to people who pledged by allowing her hair to be buzzed off.

She's proud of raising money, but she says the underlying message is for children who lose their hair because of cancer treatments.

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Til the earless bunny, shown at two weeks old, had his 15 minutes of fame brought to an abrupt end on Wednesday. UWE MEINHOLD/DAPD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Misstep spells end for celebrity bunny

Untimely demise. Germany's rare earless bunny meets a tragic end after being accidentally squashed by a TV cameraman

An earless baby bunny that was a rising star on Germany's celebrity animal scene had his 15 minutes of fame brought to an abrupt end when he was accidentally stepped on by a television cameraman.

The fate of 17-day-old Til, a bunny with a genetic defect, was plastered across German newspapers on Thursday, the same day a small zoo in Saxony was to have presented him to the world at a press conference.

The cameraman told Bild newspaper he hadn't seen Til, who had buried himself in hay, when he took the fateful step backward Wednesday.

Zoo director Uwe Dempewolf tells Spiegel magazine Til didn't suffer: "It was a direct hit."

Germany has been home to several global animal celebrities in recent years, including polar bear Knut and Paul the prognosticating octopus.

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Abrupt end

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One year, but no celebration

Syria. Strife getting worse a year after uprising began

Hundreds of Syrian refugees who fled the violence in their country stage a protest against the regime and its leader Bashar Assad in Reyhanli, Turkey, Thursday. BURHAN OZBILICI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thousands of Syrians rallied Thursday in Damascus in a display of loyalty to President Bashar Assad, waving flags under a slate grey sky to protest the anniversary of a rebellion that the government says is driven by terrorists, gangsters and extremists.

Outside the Syrian capital, however, tanks and snipers besieged opposition areas, including the southern city of Daraa, where the uprising began a year ago, touched off by the arrest of a group of youths who scrawled anti-regime graffiti on a wall.

One year into the Syrian revolt, the fight to oust Assad is cascading toward civil war with more than 8,000 killed and no end in sight to the bloodshed.

Worst-case scenarios are playing out in a country where many remain shackled by corruption, a suffocating security apparatus and a family dictatorship that rules more than 22 million people.

"We know that this is a criminal regime, but we didn't expect it to reach this amount of killing," Amer Mattar, a 26-year-old activist, told The Associated Press from Jordan, where he fled to safety after being arrested twice in Syria.

Despite widening international condemnation and biting sanctions, Assad's regime has remained intact and intelligence analysts say the rebels have yet to pose a serious challenge to his powerful military.

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Yemen. Ousted Saleh undermining new leader from sidelines?

It was a stunning attack by al-Qaida in a country that is one of the world's hottest fronts against the terror group. Militants rampaged through an army camp in southern Yemen before dawn, catching soldiers asleep and killing more than 180. Amid the turmoil, the defence minister ordered helicopters to evacuate the wounded.

But the air force commander, Mohammed Saleh al-Ahmar, refused, according to a senior official at the main air force base in Sanaa.

Notably, al-Ahmar is a half brother of ousted leader Ali Abdullah Saleh. Many in the military and government say the refusal last week is one example of how Saleh is working behind the scenes to obstruct the new U.S.-backed government as it tries to bring reform and step up the fight against al-Qaida militants in this impoverished Arab nation.

Saleh was the fourth ruler to fall in the Arab Spring wave of revolts in the Mideast, stepping down in the face of protests after more than three decades in power. But while he's no longer president, he has effectively emerged as a parallel ruler: His loyalists and relatives still pervade state bodies and military, and officials who back the new government say he uses those levers to persistently undermine them.

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Dividing loyalties

- Ali Abdullah Saleh has set up an office in the giant, extravagant Sanaa mosque that he built during his rule and that bears his name, just around the corner from the presidential palace.
- Saleh meets at the mosque with his loyalists and powerful tribal leaders who back him.
- The result is constant friction between Saleh's supporters and the new president, Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi.

No freedom fries, as Blagojevich heads to jail

Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich poses with Sage Dugas, left, 16, and Bryce Kuschel, 15, during a stop at Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers before turning himself in to the Federal Correctional Institution Englewood just a few minutes away in Littleton, Colo. on Thursday. Blagojevich will begin serving his 14-year sentence for corruption at the jail facility, making him the second Illinois governor in a row to go to prison for corruption. JOE AMON/THE DENVER POST/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Amanda Knox

Former beau pens book about trial

Amanda Knox's former boyfriend, Raffaele Sollecito, will be the first to tell all about the Italian murder trial that made them famous. The book is set to come out this fall.

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Art auction

Warhol's Elvis to go under the gavel

An Andy Warhol portrait of Elvis Presley depicted as a cowboy is coming to a New York City auction on May 9 and could fetch anywhere from $30 million to $50 million. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Breast health

French implant case numbers rise in U.K.

Britain's health ministry says an additional 7,000 women were fitted with potentially faulty French-made breast implants, raising the total to about 47,000. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Worthiness. Debt falls, incomes rise

Canadians racked up more debt in the final quarter of 2011, but the key debt-to-income ratio that officials have been warning about fell from record highs thanks to rising income levels.

Statistics Canada reported Thursday that household credit market debt, which includes credit cards, mortgages and loans, rose in the fourth quarter, even as borrowing slowed.

The Bank of Canada and the federal government, among others, have warned repeatedly that Canadians are taking on too much debt, lured by the super-low interest rates.

"At 150.6 per cent, household indebtedness remains excessive," said TD economist Diana Petramala.

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Debt-to-income

150.6%

Credit market debt-to-personal disposable income backed off to 150.6 per cent from 151.9 per cent during the quarter. That means Canadians now owe $150.60 for every $100 in disposable income.

'Pink slime.' Debate over chemically treated beef filler hitting critical mass

School districts in the U.S. soon will be able to opt out of a common ammonia-treated ground beef filler critics have dubbed "pink slime."

Amid a growing social media storm over so-called "lean finely textured beef," the Agriculture Department announced Thursday that, starting next fall, schools involved in the national school lunch program will have the option of avoiding the product.

Under the change, schools will be able to choose between 95 per cent lean beef patties made with the product or less lean bulk ground beef without it. The change won't kick in immediately because of existing contracts, according to a USDA official with knowledge of the decision.

Though the term "pink slime" has been used pejoratively for at least several years, it wasn't until last week that social media suddenly exploded with worry and an online petition seeking its ouster from schools. The petition quickly garnered hundreds of thousands of supporters.

The low-cost ingredient is made from fatty bits of meat left over from other cuts. The bits are heated to about 38 C (100 F) and spun to remove most of the fat. The lean mix then is compressed into blocks for use in ground meat. The product, made by South Dakota-based Beef Products Inc., also is exposed to "a puff of ammonium hydroxide gas" to kill bacteria, such as E. coli and salmonella.

The department said it continues to affirm the safety of the ammonia-treated lean finely textured beef as a filler, but that it wanted to be transparent and that school districts wanted choices.

Beef trimmings before packaging.
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The USDA buys about a fifth of the food served in schools nationwide.

But the opt-out provision doesn't go far enough for Representative Chellie Pingree (D-Maine), who has asked Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to immediately ban the product from school lunches.

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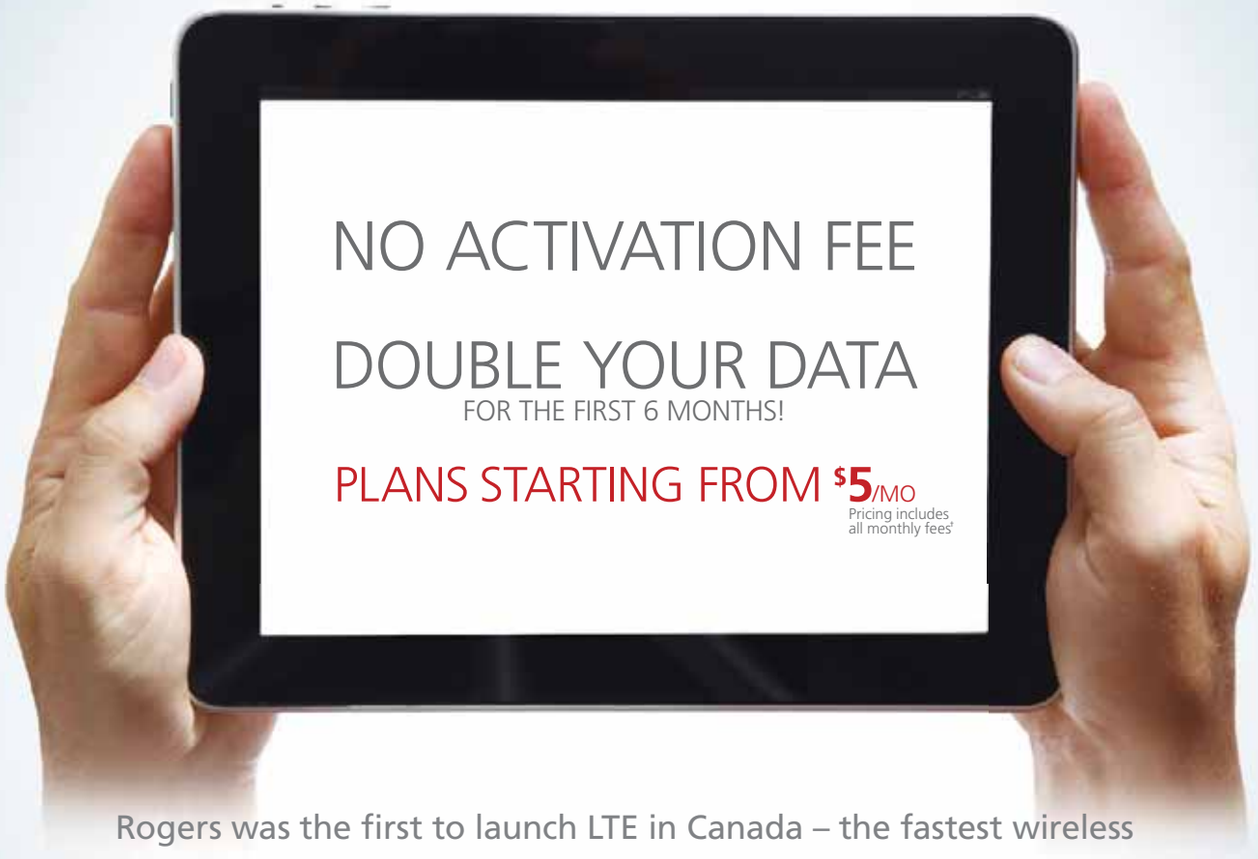

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Tories rejecting citizenship at double the rate: Statistics

Closing the doors. Refusals of new citizens have risen to 3.5% of applicants from 1.4%

The refusal rate of new citizens has more than doubled between 2006 and 2010, when Ottawa raised the pass mark of the citizenship test.

Federal statistics show the rejection rate went up to 3.5 per cent from 1.4 per cent in the five-year period.

In 2006, 3,872 of the 224,460 people applying for citizenship were denied.

In March 2010, the federal government, on a campaign to restrict citizenship, launched a new test and raised the passing mark to 75 per cent from 60 per cent. Subsequently, 5,351 — or 3.5 per cent — of the 208,800 permanent residents who applied for citizenship were turned down.

The refusals began to rise in 2007, after Michel Simard, then the chief citizenship judge, issued a directive to tighten up the enforcement of the "physical presence test."

As a result of enhanced enforcement, the refusal rate spiked to 2.7 per cent in 2007, with 5,591 or 2.7 per cent of the 227,520 applications rejected. The number of people referred to the citizenship judges also increased by 25 per cent to 16,727.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada attributed the higher refusals to the increased volume of applications processed over the past five years and to the new pass mark.

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Citizen bane

- **New rules.** Permanent residents must physically remain in Canada for 1,095 days in the previous four years before they can take a citizenship test.
- **More red tape.** Bty narrowly defining residency as physical presence rather than establishment in Canada, the government has created more bureaucracy and longer processing times for applications, some critics say.
- **Narrow definition.** "There is no need to put microscopic inspection on people. By law, residency is defined as where you centralize your mode of living, where you own your home, where you pay taxes and where your family connections are," said Toronto immigration lawyer Tim Leahy.

Nobel laureate Aung San Suu Kyi receives an honorary Canadian citizenship from Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird in Yangon, Myanmar, on March 8.
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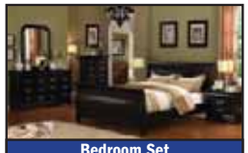
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Campaign to fund Arctic research

Polar bears. The Coca-Cola Arctic Home campaign has ended, and Canadians have stepped up to the plate

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While the design of the can may have caused a bit of a backlash, Arctic research is the winner.

About six months ago Coca-Cola launched a campaign called Arctic Home with the goal of raising a total of $4 million for Arctic research — $2 million over four years from Coke, $1 million from North Americans and $1 million more from Coke in matching donations.

The campaign ended Thursday, and consumers have responded, said Coke spokesperson Dave Moran.

"Has it been the most successful … campaign we've ever done? Yes," said Moran.

Moran didn't have the final numbers, but said as of last week the campaign was close to reaching its goal. "And keep in mind, this is only the first year (of a five-year campaign)," he said.

Geoff York, polar bear biologist with World Wildlife Fund's Global Arctic program, said the money means more research in remote northern areas.

It also means more community outreach with the Inuit and other local municipalities that either own or steward the land.

"It gives us the chance to fill in the knowledge gap," said York, adding due to lack of supply and extreme weather, it's unknown how many polar bears and other wildlife live in the extreme northern reaches.

Backlash

- **The original design of the can, silver with white polar bears, caused customers to complain it looked too similar to the Diet Coke can.** It was changed to a red can with white polar bears.

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Donald Trump Jr. poses with friends and guides beside the carcass of a water buffalo in this screen grab from YouTube. METRO

Trumps draw fire over hunting pics

Online. Brothers' African safari prompts war of words

Donald Trump Jr. is in a running verbal battle to fend off outrage over gory pictures of the half-dozen big game animals he and his brother bagged on their African safari.

"U think we wasted the meat? It fed a village for a month. That's the first rule of hunting," Trump Jr. fired back in a barrage of Twitter posts challenging critics of the hunt.

One picture shows Trump Jr. holding up the tail sliced off a dead elephant. In others, Trump Jr., Eric and their guides pose beside the carcasses of a leopard, a crocodile strung up from a tree limb, a water buffalo, a waterbuck, a civet and a kudu, described as the most beautiful animal in Africa for its spiral horns.

Animal activists PETA released a statement to E! News that said: "Like all animals, elephants, buffalo and crocodiles deserve better than to be killed and hacked about for two young millionaires' grisly photo opportunity."

Father Donald Trump commented: "My sons love hunting ... I am not a believer in hunting and I'm surprised they like it."

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Buzz over iPad lifts Apple stock to record

On sale. Latest version of popular device available at Apple stores in Canada from 8 a.m. Friday

Apple Inc.'s stock touched $600 US in New York for the first time, a day before its latest iPad went on sale.

The stock reached $600.01 just after the market opened Thursday, but lost those gains and closed down $4.02, or 0.7 per cent, at $585.56.

Anticipation is high for Apple's latest creation. Some industry experts believe the company could sell one million of the new iPad on Friday, when it becomes available in the U.S., Canada and 10 other countries. It will go on sale in 25 more countries next week. Apple has said customers should expect a two- to three-week wait for purchases made through its online store.

New iPad prices

- **No change.** The latest iPad prices start at $499 US. Versions capable of accessing cellular networks will cost $629 to $829.

The updated iPad will not have a new name. Upgrades include a sharper screen, driven by a faster processing chip that acts as the "brains" of the device.

The new features will make the tablet computer slightly thicker and heavier than the iPad 2, because it needs a larger battery to power the high-resolution screen.

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Ryo Takahashi, wearing a samurai wig, waits with others to buy a new iPad outside an Apple Store in Tokyo, Thursday. SHIZUO KAMBAYASHI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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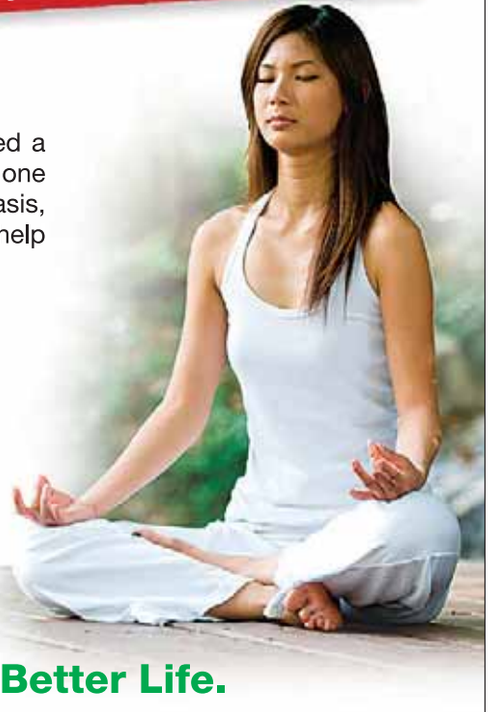

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Quebecor Inc.

Focus now on luring NHL team to Quebec City, CEO says

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The Montreal-based company has won the contract to manage the $400-million arena, which won't be ready for several years, and is working to bring an NHL team back to the provincial capital — formerly home to the Nordiques.

"We now have all of the tools required to focus on developing strong relationships and partnerships with international entertainment performers and the National Hockey League," Peladeau told analysts Thursday.

"Our agreement with Quebec City for the management of a new facility that will be built by September 2015 also contributes to our objective of diversifying and complementing our content offerings," Peladeau said during a conference call.

Quebecor — owner of the Videotron cable and phone business as well as television, newspaper, Internet, book and retail businesses — announced earlier that it had an 83 per cent increase to its fourth-quarter profit.

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JANN ARDEN GETS SOMETHING TO SING ABOUT

THE LIST
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1 Jann Arden kicked off train: The singer tweeted her anger via @jannarden to VIA Rail after they asked her to disembark for having her dog Midi with her in a carrier (which is against VIA's rules). Some agreed with Arden and thought she was being a Good Mother; others said she was being Insensitive to those with allergies. It's a doggone world.

2 Bachelor finale: Winemaker Ben did what every female on the face of the planet didn't want him to do on the finale — pick evil Courtney over girl-next-door Lindzi. Now you know what it's like, ladies, when you pick the "bad boys" to date over the nice ones. Oh, right, you marry them. Ask my wife. (I'm nice now. She converted me.)

3 Manteresting.com: It's the alpha-male version of the enormously successful online social-media site Pinterest, and goes by the tagline "Interesting. Man. Things." So far it's a lot of pics of chicks in bikinis, professional athletes, gadgets and BBQ stuff. In other words, the ultimate mancave bookmarking site.

4 Robert Herjavec: CBC's Dragons' Den is losing one of its star dragons, as the affable Herjavec has decided not to return next season after six years with the show. The search for a new dragon is underway. I once invested 50 cents in a lemonade stand in Grade 2 and it turned a $5 profit in one day. Perfect candidate.

5 Biebernapping: A life-sized cutout of the Biebs was "kidnapped" at a Booster Juice in Winnipeg, a place Bieber visited last year. The owner is offering a $25 Booster Juice ,gift card as a reward for whoever returns it undamaged. I don't know what's worse — that the life-size cutout was stolen, or that this actually made the news.

6 House-party-gone-viral a bust: Calgary high school student Hunter Mills tweeted about his buddy Kris Morrey's upcoming party using the hashtag #projectkris, a play on the film Project X, which features a huge house party. The tweet went viral, trending around the globe. Mills wisely chose a new location for the weekend party, a night club. So there was no Animal House. And Morrey is not grounded forever.

7 @rentagrandmacom: It sounds like a parody account but it's actually the Twitter handle for Rentagrandma.com, a U.S. service that allows you to hire a grandma to babysit your kids instead of a teenager. Child care is vital to Mom and Dad when they're out on date night, and who's more responsbile than a Grandma, right? Grandpa better not show up and raid the liquor cabinet, though.

8 Chris Kaman's Bobcat: The NBA centre for the New Orleans Hornets tweeted "Guess who we r playing tonight?!" with a picture of him holding a dead bobcat in his driveway this week before a game against the Charlotte Bobcats. Two things Kaman has since heard: One, that's some mighty weird trash talk, and, two, your Hornets went out and lost to the Bobcats.

They say nice guys finish last. Perhaps it applies to girls, too? HANDOUT

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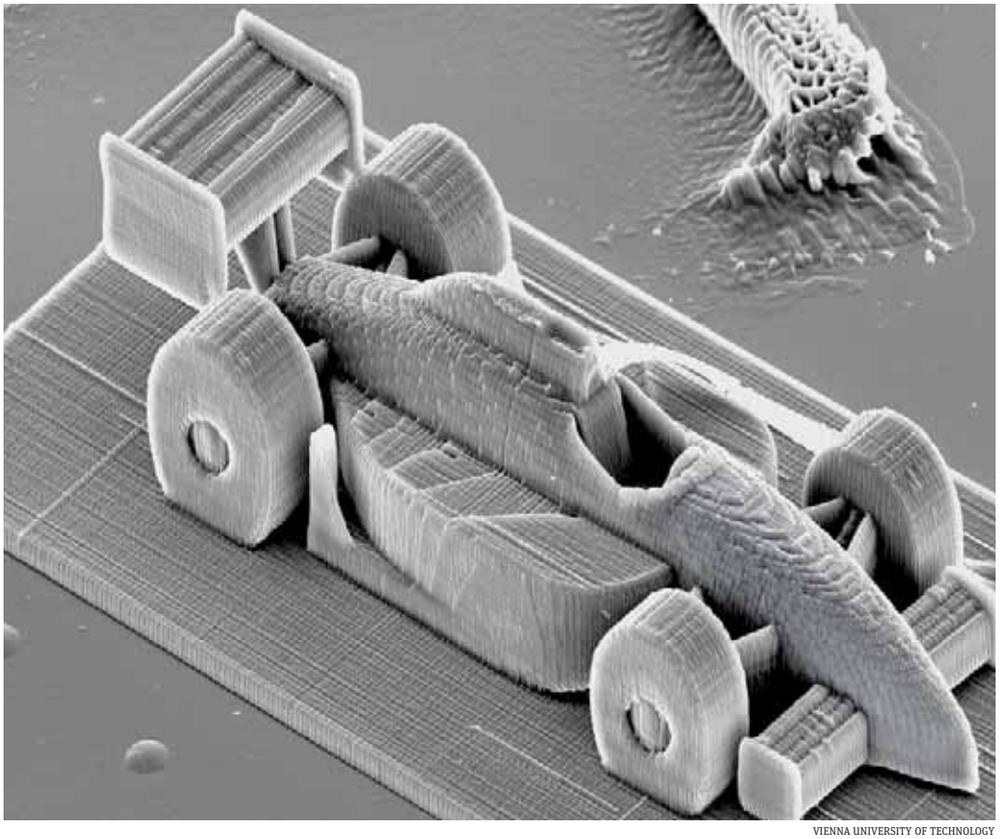

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Prof. Jürgen Stampfl
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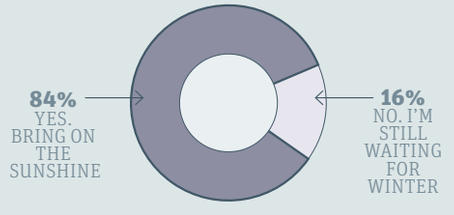

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@resaleTOhomes: If I think my son is ever going to want to live in Toronto I had better buy him a condo now, he's 15mths old. #condo #toronto #globalization

@plrowley: It's only March and #Toronto has a severe thunderstorm watch. Time to see #2012 #TheDayAfterTomorrow again. Roland Emmerich is a prophet

@cinnamonlatte87: I really want that Cooke hat trick! And a Crosby goal haha.

@LivinginReverie: Awaiting #MotherNature to unleash her fury on #Toronto. Starting to think 'toonie sized hail' were just ramblings of a drunk weather man.

@Ruthless187RB: I wish I had a girl to take to the Raptors game but I havn't found one who I can put up with for the duration of an NBA game.

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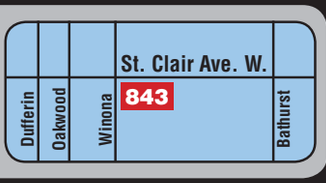

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Ed Helms is part of the stellar cast that makes up Jeff, Who Lives at Home. HANDOUT

Fun film isn't slacking

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Jeff, Who Lives at Home. Duplass Brothers product has an indie sensibility

Richard: Mark, I'm not sure how to describe this movie. It's sort of a comedy, kind of a drama and a bit of a character study and yet it isn't really any of those things. The Duplass Brothers, best known for the indie films, have mixed and matched tones and come up with something that is likeable despite the strange premise and characters.

Mark: It's not quite a comedy, but it's so likeable that it feels like one. The movie is small, and short, and has the charms of a shaggy-dog tale. What the movie really has going for it is its casting. All four leads — Jason Segel, Ed Helms, Judy Greer, and Susan Sarandon, do stellar, unglamorous work, and I can't imagine the movie without them. I thought the movie might be 80 minutes of slacker jokes, but it has something more on its mind — something at once more everyday and more cosmic.

RC: It is deeply connected to its characters and the relationships that bind them and for me that is the thing that really sells the movie. Most of the characters are edgy — except for Susan Sarandon's world-weary single mom and her free spirited co-worker played by Rae Dawn Chong — but because there's no cynicism here they become real people that you care about. Quite a feat in 85 minutes.

MB: I also liked the way that some details that seem irrelevant in the first part of the film actually play out by its finish — at first I thought these details were random time-killers, but by the end, they all add to the film's closure. But Richard, with all of the movie's modesty, fragility and scale, did you not feel that if the film's location were moved from Baton Rouge to Regina, we could have been watching a Canadian film?

RC: It exists at the intersection of indie and mainstream film, which I believe is located in Vancouver these days, nicely blending the DIY sensibility of the directors with the appeal of the A-listy cast. We specialize in making small, character-driven movies and that's exactly what this one is. What it has, that Canadian films don't is the marketing push of Paramount behind it.

MB: Yes, it seemed an odd film to open wide, but somebody really believes in it, and that's nice to see. Nice is a good word for this film. It's not going to rock anyone's world, but it's a tasty little truffle in the banquet of cinema.

Synopsis

Thirty-something unemployed slacker Jeff (Jason Segel) still lives in his mother's (Susan Sarandon) basement. His worldview is formed by the enormous amount of drugs he smokes and the M. Night Shyamalan movie Signs. To him nothing is random; everything is a sign. When his mom sends him on an errand a series of "omens" find him chasing after a stranger named Kevin and becoming involved in his brother's (Ed Helms) marriage.

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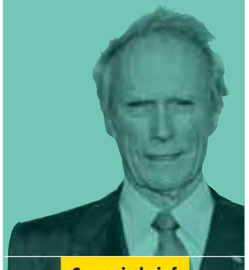
On the web

John Legend, Mumford & Sons in the lineup for state dinner entertainment



Scene in brief

Eastwood comes to TV

Clint Eastwood's family is coming to TV in a new reality show. The E! network said Tuesday that Mrs. Eastwood & Company will premiere May 20 as a 10-episode series. The show spotlights Dina Eastwood, who has been married to the Oscar-winning actor-director since 1996. Also on hand are the Eastwoods' 15-year-old daughter, Morgan, as well as 18-year-old Francesca, Clint Eastwood's daughter with actress Frances Fisher.
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Comedy

21 Jump Street

Directors. Phil Lord, Chris Miller

Stars. Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum

The big-screen comic adaptation of '80s TV hit 21 Jump Street is anything but consistent. But oddly enough, it still sort of works. Led by Superbad-star Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum, this adventure of two bumbling cops reliving high school as undercover narcs combines slapstick with shootouts in what amounts to one extravagant but groundless gagfest. 21 Jump Street's laughs play broad and immodestly bold and it's forgettable fun.

STEVE GOW

Comedy

Friends with Kids

Directors. Jennifer Westfeldt

Stars. Jennifer Westfeldt, Adam Scott, Maya Rudolph

In Friends with Kids, a platonic couple are forced to examine the true nature of their relationship after they decide to have a child with no strings attached. The premise sounds familiar but Friends with Kids takes a tired idea in a tired genre and breathes some new life into it. Writer /director/star Jennifer Westfeldt has assembled a great cast , but as charming as they make the first hour, the film suffers from a predictable ending.

RICHARD CROUSE

Documentary

Payback

Director. Jennifer Baichwal

Stars. Margaret Atwood

Based on Margaret Atwood's Massey Lecture series about debt, on paper Payback sounds like about as much fun as watching paint dry. But Manufactured Landscapes director Jennifer Baichwal is able to turn Atwood's words into a highly enjoyable set of present-day vignettes about debt as social phenomenon, be it monetary, legal, moral or even environmental. Baichwal and cinematographer partner Nick de Pencier dig up some fascinating subjects.

IAN GORMELY

Documentary

Jiro Dreams of Sushi

Director. David Gelb

Stars. Jiro Ono

Jiro Ono is widely regarded as the world's greatest sushi maker, but unlike his famous Western celeb-chef contemporaries, he has no desire for the spotlight: his michelin-starred sushi bar is located in a Tokyo subway station. David Gelb's affectionate, precisely edited portrait touches on some larger issues about Japanese culture — particularly the inheritance of talent and legacy from father to son — but it's best viewed as a showcase for Jiro's sumptuous-looking dishes.

ADAM NAYMAN

Documentary

Being Elmo: A Puppeteer's Journey

Director. Constance A. Marks

Stars. Kevin Clash, Whoopi Goldberg

Kevin Clash may not be a household name, but his alter ego is world famous. Clash is the performer behind Sesame Street's Elmo. Being Elmo is the story of how Clash, a kid from Baltimore with a slightly abnormal love of puppets, grew up to become an integral member of the Sesame Street crew. Being Elmo is a love letter to the wonderful world of puppets.

REGAN REID

Comedy

Casa de mi Padre

Director. Matt Piedmont

Stars. Will Ferrell, Diego Luna

A truly bizarre vanity project, Casa de mi Padre stars Will Ferrell as a Mexican rancher battling drug dealers and DEA agents. The joke — such as it is — is that the Anchorman star is really speaking Spanish, just like all the recognizable Latino actors in the cast — an ambitious and surreal gambit that's more conceptually funny than scene-to-scene amusing. The film seems destined to be a cult item, and since that's what it was aiming for, it can be called a success.

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Documentary

The Ballad of Genesis and Lady Jaye

Director. Marie Losier

Stars. Genesis P-Orridge, Lady Jaye Breyer P'Orridge, Big Boy Breyer P'Orridge

Genesis P. Orridge pioneered industrial music. But in The Ballad of Genesis and Lady Jaye, we see the now middle-aged provocateur and his late in life lady love, a dominatrix artist he dubs Lady Jaye, undergo an extreme physical transformation in order to become a single "pandrogenic" entity. Beneath the surface freak value of this doc however, is a tragic, moving love story.

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Drama

King of Devil's Island

Director. Marius Holst

Stars. Stellan Skarsgård, Benjamin Helstad and Kristoffer Joner

It's not often in films that we see soldiers mowing down children, but this is what happens in Marius Holt's gripping depiction of true events that occurred in Norway in 1913. Young boys living in a state-approved island detention centre are abused and tortured until a newcomer launches an uprising. This grim reminder of an ugly chapter in the nation's history has raised eyebrows in Norway. It's a riveting and excellent film.

ANNE BRODIE

Documentary

Corman's World: Exploits of a Hollywood Rebel

Director. Alex Stapleton

Stars. Roger Corman, Martin Scorsese, Quentin Tarantino

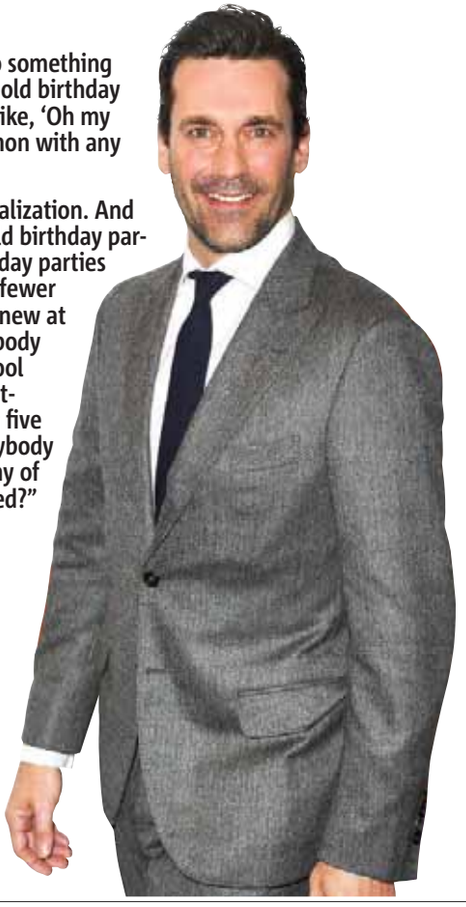
Roger Corman is living breathing cinema history. The father of the independent film, Corman found novel ways to give young 1960s audiences the sort of rousing, ID stimulating genre films they wanted to see and nurturing young talent (Jack Nicholson, Francis Coppola, James Cameron). Alex Stapleton's riotous documentary proves the import of Corman. A must-see for any serious cinephile.

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Quoted

"I think one year we went to something like seven or eight one-year-old birthday parties where we were just like, 'Oh my God, I have nothing in common with any of these people...

"That was kind of a weird realization. And then we went to two-year-old birthday parties and three-year-old birthday parties and you kind of kept seeing fewer and fewer people that you knew at these parties because everybody kind of grouped off into school friends or kid friends or whatever.... By the time they turn five you're like, 'I don't know anybody at this party. I don't know any of these people. What happened?"



John Hamm, actor
Friends With Kids' star about he and his wife Jennifer Westfeldt — who writes, directs, produces and stars in the indie dramedy — watching their social circle break apart as friends began to have children.
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Elizabeth Banks. Talks about playing perpetually positive Effie Trinket

It's often more fun to play the bad guy, and while Effie Trinket isn't the baddest of the bad in the Hunger Games, she's certainly not helping. Unrecognizable behind thick makeup and some ridiculous hair and hats, Elizabeth Banks has a field day as Trinket, the plucky villainess prepping her young charges (Jennifer Lawrence and Josh Hutcherson) for battle.

There's more to Effie than just being a pink-haired villain. As a career woman, she doesn't have the best gig.

No, District 12 is terrible. To me, Effie drank the Kool-Aid. She's on board because she's in the one per cent and she doesn't want to give that up. I think she thinks, "Revolution would be bad. People will die and I might lose my cupcakes." She's not one for change. She likes the status quo. I think she shows up in District 12 disgusted, thinks that it's dirty, wants to go home as fast as possible. I think of PR people and stylists I've worked with who go, "Well, I'll make the best of a bad situation," you know? And I think that's Effie. The main thing about Effie is she's super-selfish. It's all about her. "How does this reflect on me? How's this going to affect my life?" It's great to have a winner in the Games, but it's bad to have a winner who pisses off President Snow.

But she's also thrilled to show off the finer things in life to the kids.

I think Effie's main thing is she's ultimately a very optimistic and effervescent, theatrical person. That's why she has the job that she has, because she's spinning the job she has positively all the time. They're most likely going to die, and she's seen a lot of kids die. So in her mind it's like, "You won a lottery ticket. We're all going to die, but you're going to go out famous, with a big bang!" That's Effie's attitude about these kids. They're almost definitely going to die, she's pretty sure of it. But they just won a ticket to a great reality show.

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Elizabeth Banks is barely recognizable as Effie Trinket. HANDOUT

Jennifer Lawrence remains calm in the face of fame

The Hunger Games. Star of the next big teen franchise gets over her fear of being known only as Katniss Everdeen

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The Hunger Games has changed Jennifer Lawrence's life in at least one way: she's armed now. "I mean, I still have arrows in my car," Lawrence admits. (Her character in the film, Katniss Everdeen, is a talented bow-hunter, so Lawrence has had to master archery.) "I didn't realize that until two of my friends were getting into the back seat of my car and they were like, 'Why do you have spears back here?'

"In case I get pulled over!"

Lawrence made such an impression as Ree Dolly in the critically acclaimed Winter's Bone — playing a hard-luck teen who must provide for her impoverished family — that producers of the Hunger Games immediately thought of her for Katniss, a hard-luck teen who must provide for her impoverished family. Heck, both characters even hunt squirrels. "White trash with too much responsibility," Lawrence says, comparing the characters, a mischievous grin on her face. "My publicist doesn't like it when I say that."

While Lawrence was a fan of the book series, she still had hesitations about taking the role — and was even close to turning it down outright. "It was so big. I love my life, and there's not a lot of times in a person's life where a yes or no decision can change your life forever and it will never, no matter what, go back to the way it was before. And that was terrifying to me," she admits.

"Even from a professional standpoint, I wanted to continue to make small passion projects that I love and I still want people to be able to lose themselves in my characters. I don't want people to watch something and go, 'Oh yeah, look at what Katniss is doing. Oh, Katniss is wearing a dress.' I didn't want that, but I realized that all of the no's just had to do with me being scared. I didn't want to miss out on something just because I was scared."

It's no secret that many are looking to the Hunger Games as the new young adult mega-franchise, what with Twilight tying up its prolonged victory lap later this year.

And parallels have already been drawn between Lawrence and Twilight lead Kristen Stewart, an indie actress whose life was transformed by her sudden blockbuster success. But Lawrence is surprisingly immune to the hype that's been built up — even with clocks counting the days until the release on billboards around Los Angeles.

"I kind of feel like an idiot because I haven't even thought about it," she says. "Everybody is like, 'The movie is coming out!' And I'm like, 'Yup.' I'm going to look back at myself five years from now and be like, 'You were an idiot. You had no idea what was about to happen.' I just feel this calm because there is nothing I can do.

"It's kind of like when you say something and that quote is being written — it's kind of like you immediately go into this calm of like, 'Well, there is nothing I can do now!'"

Identity loss

"I don't want people to watch something and go 'Oh yeah, look at what Katniss is doing. Oh, Katniss is wearing a dress."

The Hunger Games star Jennifer Lawrence talking about her fear of taking on the major role of Katniss Everdeen in the franchise.

For the role of The Hunger Games heroine Katniss Everdeen, Jennifer Lawrence had to master archery. HANDOUT

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Stars relish learning hand-to-hand combat

Training. The Hunger Games kids have a list of new skills to add to their resumes

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The young Tributes of the Hunger Games engage in some elaborate combat during their tournament, which meant more than the usual training for the teenage actors portraying them. And as Jennifer Lawrence had to become proficient with a bow to play archery savant Katniss, each actor had to get to know the weapon of choice of their respective character. "I did a lot of knife-throwing and I actually learned how to throw knives, which was amazing," says Isabelle Fuhrman, who plays menacing District 2 tribute Clove.

The knife-throwing turned out to be something of a revelation for the young actress. "This is going to sound weird, but it's very beautiful, being able to say, 'Yeah, I can throw knives,'" she admits. "It was really hard for me to learn how to do it, and so I definitely want to keep up with it."

Fuhrman got a bit carried away with her new skills, according to co-star Amandla Stenberg. "We'd be like, 'Hey Isabelle, want to have a sleepover?' And she'd [be flipping around a butterfly knife] like, Oh, sure,'" says Stenberg.

While prep involved hand-to-hand combat and sword training for Alexander Ludwig, who plays hulking District 1 tribute Cato, the hardest part was ditching the bulk he packed on for the role. "I'm still trying to go back to my normal size," Ludwig says. "It's way harder to lose weight than to put it on. I have so much more sympathy for fat people."

The Hunger Games kids received plenty of combat training. HANDOUT

Rating. What about all that violence in the book?

The Hunger Games is by no means a tame book, what with its teenagers hunting and killing each other. But the filmmakers still wanted to reach the target young adult audience that so embraced the books, which meant going for a PG-13 rating. And while the finished product at times goes right up to the line of what that rating will allow, director Gary Ross insists they didn't have to scale anything back for the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA), which sets ratings for films in the U.S.

"After going to the MPAA, I may have changed a shot or two. That was it," Ross says. "We didn't really back off the violence in any way. It's specific where it needs to be, but we also don't need to be indulgent or overly graphic or exploitive, you don't need to get lurid," he says.

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How would you fare in the Hunger Games?

@Barvonblaq
I would lose in the Hunger Games the moment I got hungry.

@lizzwinstead
It depends if there are cigarettes...

@JefferySelf
If The Hunger Games were real I would definitely be the first person killed. Immediately followed by Fiona Apple and Jojo.

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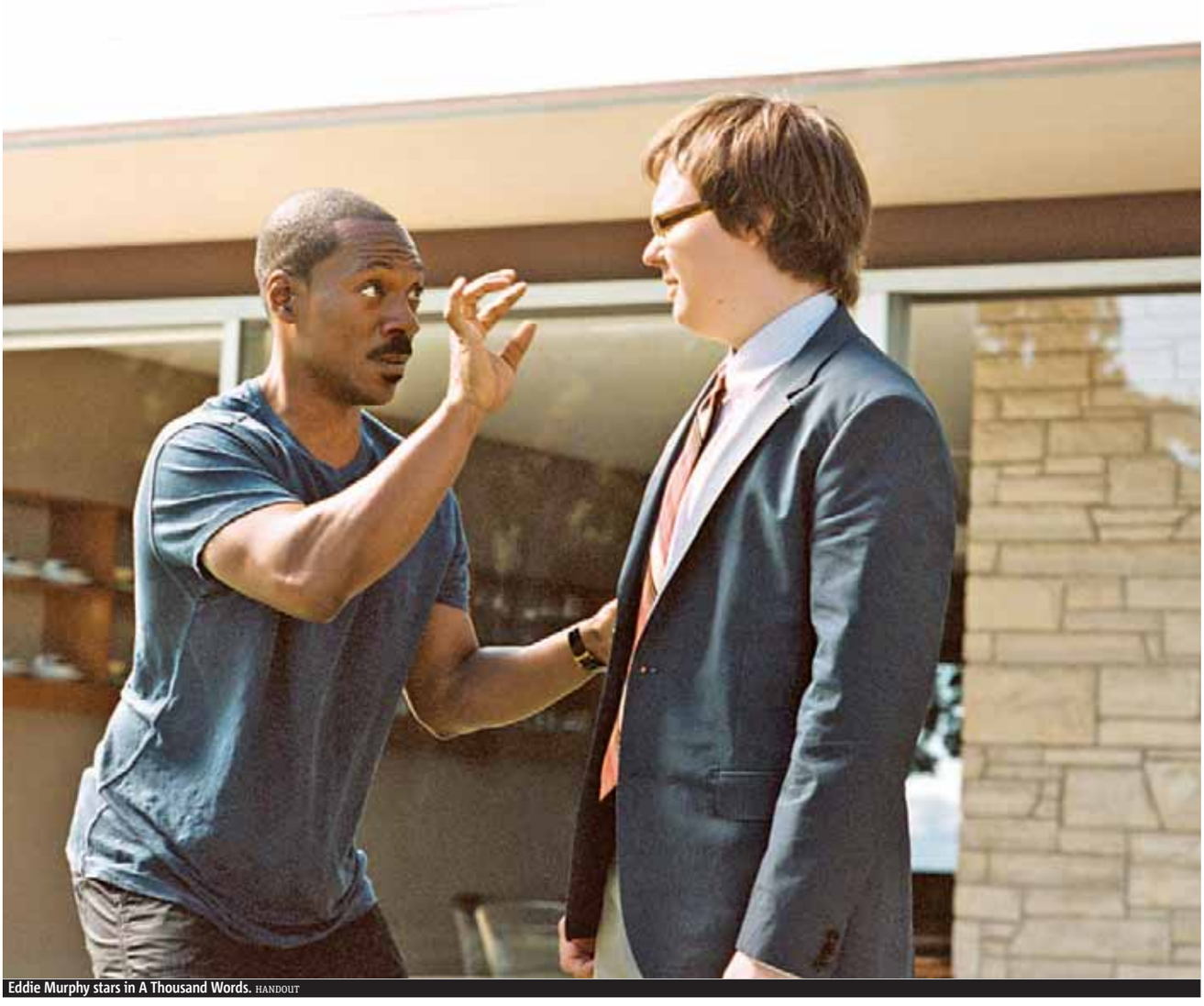

Eddie Murphy stars in A Thousand Words. HANDOUT

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Labyrinth (STC) Mon 7
Mission: Impossible — Ghost Protocol: The IMAX Experience (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-6:50-9:45
Project X (18A) Fri-Sun 3:15-5:30-8-10:20 Mon 1:15-3:45-6:45-10:20 Tue-Wed 3:15-5:30-8-10:20 Thu 3:15-5:30-8-10:40
Silent House (14A) Fri-Wed 2:40-5:10-7:50-10:15 Thu 2:40-5:10-7:50-10:30
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Thu 2-4:10-6:40-9:20
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Market Square
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri 1:30-4-6:55-9:15-11:30 Sat 1:30-4-6:55-9:15 Sun-Mon 4-9:15 Tue 1:30-4-6:55-9:15 Wed 4-9:15 Thu 1:30-4-6:55-9:15 Sun-Mon 1:30-6:55 Wed 1:30-6:55
The Artist (PG) Fri 1:10-3:10-5:10-7:15-9:25-11:30 Sat-Thu 1:10-3:10-5:10-7:15-9:25
The Descendants (14A) Fri-Sat 1:25-4:05-7:10-9:35 Sun-Mon 4:05-9:35 Tue 1:25-4:05-7:10-9:35 Wed 4:05-9:35 Thu 4:05-7:10-9:35 Sun-Mon 1:25-7:10 Wed 1:25-7:10 Thu 1
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri 1:05-3:05-5:05-7:05-9:05-11:05 Sat-Thu 1:05-3:05-5:05-7:05-9:05
The Hunger Games (STC) Thu 12:01
John Carter (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:40
Project X (18A) Fri 9:30-11:25 Sat-Thu 9:30
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:55-7:20

Revue Cinema
400 Roncesvalles Ave., 416-531-9959

The Artist (PG) Fri 4:15
A Dangerous Method (14A) Wed 9:20 Thu 7
The Descendants (14A) Fri 7 Sat 4:15-7 Sun-Mon 7 Wed 1-7 Thu 9
The Muppets (G) Fri-Sun 2
Shame (18A) Fri-Sat 9:20 Sun 4:15-9:20 Mon 9:20 Tue 9:30
The Spy Who Came in From the Cold (STC) Tue 6:45
The Royal
608 College St., 416-466-4400
In Darkness (14A) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 9 Tue-Wed 9 Thu 7
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri-Sat 9:30 Sun 7 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 9:30
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon
The Room (STC) Fri 11:30

Varsity
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

Being Flynn (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:20-9:20
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:35-5-7:20-9:50
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:30 Fri-Sun 1:05-3:55-6:55-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:55-6:55-9:35
Jeff, Who Lives at Home (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:30-10:05 Fri-Sun 12:20-2:35-4:45-7:05-9:35 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:05-9:25
Monsieur Lazhar (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-6:40-9
Payback: Debt and the Shadow Side of Wealth (STC) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:10 Wed 6:30-9:10 Thu 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:10 Fri-Sun 12:55-3:05-5:25-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:15-7:25-9:45
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-7-10 Fri-Sun 12:25-2:45-5:15-7:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:15-4:05-6:35-9:05
A Separation (14A) Fri-Tue 12:55-4-7:10-10:10 Wed 12:55-4 Thu 12:55-4-7:10-10:10
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Canada Square
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

The Artist (PG) Fri 4:05-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:05-6:30-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:30
The Descendants (14A) Fri 4:20-7-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-7
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri 4:35-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 2-4:35-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:15
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri 4:45-7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:45-7:10-9:35 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:10
My Week With Marilyn (14A) Fri 4:50-7:30-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:10-4:50-7:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:20
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Fri 4:25-6:40-9 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:25-6:40-9 Mon-Thu 4:25-6:40
A Separation (14A) Fri 4-6:45-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:15-4-6:45-9:25 Mon-Thu 4-6:45
We Need to Talk About Kevin (14A) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50 '

Mt. Pleasant Theatre
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri 9:25 Sat 9:30 Sun 7 Tue 7
Hugo (PG) Fri 6:50 Sat 4-6:50 Sun 4:15 Wed-Thu 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon
Regent Theatre
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884
In Darkness (14A) Fri-Sat 9:30 Sun 7 Tue-Wed 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon
War Horse (PG) Fri 6:45 Sat 3:45-6:45 Sun 4 Thu 7

Yonge-Eglinton Centre
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:40-4:40-7:20-10:10 No Passes Sun 1:40-4:30-7:20-10 No Passes Mon-Tue 2-4:40-7:20-10 No Passes Wed 4:40-7:20-10 No Passes Thu 2-4:40-7:20-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sat 1-4:10-7-9:40 Sun 1-4:10-7-9:35 Mon-Tue 1:20-4:20-7:05-9:40 Wed 1:30-4:20-9:40 Thu 1:20-4:20-7:05-9:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 12:40 Mon-Tue 1:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1 Thu 1:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:30-4-6:30-9:10 Mon-Wed 3:50-6:30-9:10 Thu 3:50-6:30-8:45
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-9:50 No Passes Mon-Wed 1-4-7-10 No Passes Thu 1-4-7-9:50
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:30 Mon-Tue 1:10-3:40 Wed 1:15-3:40 Thu 1:10-3:40
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 2:55-5:10-7:40-10:05 Sun 2:55-5:10-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 2:20-4:50-7:30-9:45
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sat 1:10-4:20-7:10-10 Sun 1:10-4:20-7:10-9:55 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:10-9:50
Silent House (14A) Fri-Sat 2-4:50-7:50-10:15 Sun 2-4:50-7:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:10-5-7:40-9:55
The Vow (PG) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:20
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:30-7:30-9:55 Sun 1:50-4:40-7:05-9:40 Mon-Tue 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:30 Wed 1:40-4:10-6:50-10:05 Thu 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:15
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Yonge & Dundas 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

Act of Valor (14A) Fri 2:30-5:15-8-10:45 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:30-5:15-8-10:45 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:15-8-10:45
The Artist (PG) Fri 4:35-7:10-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:50-4:35-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:10-9:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:30 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:45-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:30 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:45-8:15-10:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri 12:15-2:30-5-7:30-10 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:30-10 Fri 1:30-4-6:30-9 Sat-Sun 11-1:30-4-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 4-6:30-9
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri 1:20-2:15-3:45-4:45-6:15-7:15-9-10 Sat-Sun 10:45-11:30-1:15-2:15-3:45-4:45-6:15-7:15-9-10 Mon-Thu 2:15-3:45-4:45-6:15-7:15-9-10
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri 3:20-6:40-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:50-3:20-6:40-10:05 Mon-Thu 3:20-6:40-10:05
Gone (14A) Fri-Thu 5:55-8:25-10:45
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri 2-4:35-7:10-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:20-2-4:35-7:10-9:55 Mon-Thu 2-4:35-7:10-9:55
John Carter (PG) Fri 2:15-6-8:30-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:15-2:45-6-8:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 2:15-6-8:30-9:15
John Carter 3D (PG) Fri 12:15-3:15-3:45-6:30-7-9:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:45-12:15-3:15-3:45-6:30-7-9:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:15-3:45-6:30-7-9:45-10:15
John Carter: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Sun 1-4:15-7:30-10:45 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:30-10:45
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri 1:20-3:50-6:10-8:30-10:45 Sat-Sun 10:35-1:20-3:50-6:10-8:30-10:45 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:10-8:30-10:45
Kahaani (14A) Fri 3:20-6:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:40-3:20-6:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:20-6:45-10:15
Rampart (STC) Fri-Sun 1:25-7:05 Mon-Thu 7:05
Safe House (14A) Fri 3:15-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:15-1:15-3:15-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10 Mon-Wed 3:15-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10 Thu 3:15-6:15-9:15
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Fri 1:30-3:45 Sat-Sun 10:45-1:15-3:45 Mon-Thu 3:45
Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows (PG) Fri 4:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 10:30-4:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:05-9:40
This Means War (14A) Fri 1:20-3:30-6:05 Sat-Sun 10:35-1-3:30-6:05 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:05
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri 12:30-2:45-5-7:30-10 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:30-2:45-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:45-5-7:30-10
Tyrannosaur (STC) Fri 12:55-3:05-5:10-7:25-9:35 Sat-Sun 10:50-12:55-3:05-5:10-7:25-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:05-5:10-7:25-9:35
The Vow (PG) Fri 12:45-3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:45-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30
The Woman in Black (14A) Fri 2:45-5:20-7:45-10:20 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:45-5:20-7:45-10:20 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:20-7:45-10:20

TIFF Bell Lightbox
350 King St. West, 416-599-8433

The Ballad of Genesis and Lady Jaye (14A) Fri-Sun 4-8:45 Mon 8:45 Tue-Thu 4-8:45 The Cat Returns (PG) Fri 10:30 Jan Peacock: Using Clouds for Words (STC) Wed 7
Jiro Dreams of Sushi (G) Fri-Sun 2-5-7:15-9:15 Mon 7:15-9:15 Tue-Thu 2-5-7:15-9:15
Kiki's Delivery Service (G) Sat 10:30 Mon 6:30
L'Argent (14A) Sat 4 Sun 4:45
Monsieur Lazhar (PG) Fri 7 Sat 1:15-7 Sun 1:15-4:15-7-9:30 Mon 7-9:30 Tue 1:15-4:15-7-9:30 Wed-Thu 1:15-4:15-7
My Neighbor Totoro (G) Sat 1
Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind (PG) Sat 7
Ocean Waves (14A) Sun 7
Off World (14A) Fri-Sun 1:45-6:45 Mon 6:45 Tue-Thu 1:45-6:45
Once Upon A Time in Anatolia (PG) Sat 6 Sun 12-6 Mon-Tue 6 Wed 12-9:30 Thu 12-9
Pina 3D (G) Fri 3:30 Sat-Sun 3:30-9:20 Mon 9:20 Tue-Thu 3:30-9:20
Porco Rosso (G) Fri 2 Thu 6:30
Princess Mononoke (14A) Fri 6:30
Reel Talk: Contemporary World Cinema (STC) Sun 10
The Savage Innocents (PG) Sun 1
Snake Eyes (14A) Sat 10
Tim and Eric's Billion Dollar Movie (18A) Fri-Sat 9:30

To the Stars by Hard Ways (14A) Fri 9:15

West End

Albion Cinemas
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

Chaar Din Ki Chandni (PG) Fri-Thu 4:45-7:30
Kahaani (14A) Fri-Thu 4:45-7:45
Queensway
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424
21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri 1:45-2:50-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:10-10:05-10:50 No Passes Sat 11:05-1:45-4:30-7:15-10:05 No Passes Sun 12:55-1:55-3:50-4:35-6:45-7:15-9:30-10 No Passes Mon-Tue 1-2-3:55-4:55-6:35-7:35-9:15-10:15 No Passes Wed 2-3:55-4:55-6:35-7:35-9:15-10:15 No Passes Thu 1-2-3:55-4:55-6:35-7:35-9:15-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Act of Valor (14A) Fri 2-4:45-7:25-10:10 Sat 11:20-2-4:45-7:25-10:10 Sun 1:10-3:55-6:35-9:20 Mon-Thu 1:15-4:10-7-9:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri 12:30-2:50-5:15-7:40-9:55 Sat 12:25-2:45-5:15-7:40-9:55 Sun 12:25-2:45-5:15-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 1:25-4:30-6:45-9
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sat 1:15-3:35-6-8:25-10:45 Sun 1:15-3:35-6-8:25 Mon-Wed 2:30-5:05-7:25-9:45 Thu 1:25-4:30-6:45-9
E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG) Sat 11
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri 1:30-4:15-6:55-9:35 Sat 12-4:15-6:55-9:35 Sun 1:30-4:15-6:55-9:35 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:50-6:30-9:10
Goon (18A) Fri-Sat 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:30-10:50 Sun 2:30-4:55-7:50-10:10 Mon-Tue 2:45-5:10-7:30-9:55 Wed 2:45-5:10-9:55 Thu 2:45-5:10-7:30-9:55
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:15 No Passes Thu 12:01
I Am Bruce Lee (STC) Sat 12:45
Jeff, Who Lives at Home (14A) Fri 1:50-4-6:10-8:20-10:45 Sat 11:35-1:55-4-6:10-8:20-10:45 Sun 1:05-3:25-5:40-8-10:10 Mon-Tue 2:40-5-7:45-10:05 Wed 5-7:45-10:05 Thu 2:40-5-7:45-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
John Carter (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:50 No Passes Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Mon-Wed 2:35-6:30-9:30 No Passes Thu 1:10-4:15-7:15-10:20
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:10-7:20-10:30 No Passes Sun 1-4:10-7:10-10:15 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:10-4:15-7:15-10:15 No Passes Thu 2:10-5:15-8:30
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri 2:10 Sat 12:20 Sun 2:25 Mon-Thu 2:15
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri 4:50-7:30-10 Sat 2:40-4:50-7:30-10 Sun 5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:05-9:35
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:40 Sun 12:30-2:50-5:20-7:45-10:05 Mon-Tue 2:50-5:20-7:50-10:10 Wed 1:40-4:35-7:30-10:25 Thu 2:50-5:20-7:50-10:10
Safe House (14A) Fri 1:10-4:05-7-9:45 Sat 1:50-4:35-7:20-10:15 Sun 1:20-4:05-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:25-7-9:45
Silent House (14A) Fri 2:35-5:10-7:45-10:20 Sat 12:15-2:35-5:10-7:45-10:20 Sun 2:20-4:50-7:25-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:25-5:15-7:40-10
This Means War (14A) Fri 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40 Sat 11:10-1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40 Sun 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:20-9:50
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:10-5:35-7:55-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:35-4-6:40-9:05
The Vow (PG) Fri 2:40-5:20-7:50-10:25 Sat 12:05-2:40-5:20-7:50-10:25 Sun 1:25-4-6:50-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:20-4:05-6:55-9:25
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sat 2:55-5:25-8:05-10:35 Sun 2:10-4:40-7:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:20-7:50-10:20
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Woodbine Centre
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-7-9:35
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Thu 1-3-5-7:05-9:15
John Carter (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:55-6:45-9:30
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:45-6:50-9:20
Project X (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-7:25-9:40
Safe House (14A) Fri-Thu 4:10-6:55
Silent House (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-3:50-7:15-9:45
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-2:50-4:55-7:10-9:25
Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-9:30

Kingsway Theatre
3030 Bloor St. West, 416-232-1939

The Artist (PG) Fri-Thu 7
A Dangerous Method (14A) Fri-Thu 2:50
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri-Thu 8:55
Hugo (PG) Fri-Sun 11
In Darkness (14A) Fri-Thu 4:30
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri-Thu 1

Humber Cinema
2:2442 Bloor St. West, 416-232-1939

Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Thu 2:30-4:30-6:30-8:30

East End

Beach Cinemas
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri 1:30-4:20-7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:40-4:20-7-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 12:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri 2:40-5-7:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 2:40-5-7:20-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:40-8:50
Goon (18A) Fri-Thu 7:20-9:50
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:10-10
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sun 1-3:50
Safe House (14A) Fri 12:40-3:40-6:50-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:40-6:50-9:30
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri 12:50-3:30-6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:20

Fox Theatre
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330
The Artist (PG) Fri 4

A Dangerous Method (14A) Fri-Mon 9:15
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 4-7 Mon 7 Tue 6:45 Wed 4-9:15 Thu 9:15
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri 2
The Muppets (G) Sat-Sun 2
A Separation (14A) Tue 9:15 Wed-Thu 6:45

North York

Sheppard Grande
4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sun 9:55 Mon-Tue 9:35 Thu 9:35
The Artist (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:20-9:20 Mon 3:50-6:20-9:20 Tue 6:35-9:20 Wed 3:50-9:20 Thu 3:50-6:20-9:20
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-6:45 Mon-Thu 4:20-6:45
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri 12:30-5-7:15-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:45-5-7:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:15-9:30
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:40-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:25-10
Hugo 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:50-9:45
Jeff, Who Lives at Home (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 4-7:10-9:50
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:55-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:55-6:40-9:40
A Separation (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7-10 Mon-Thu 4:10-7-10
Silent House (14A) Fri-Sun 2-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:40-9:55
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:30-7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-9:50
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

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21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 2:15-5:15-7:50-10:25 Mon-Thu 5:15-7:50-10:25 Fri-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:20-10
Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G) Fri 1:45-4:10
The Descendants (14A) Fri 6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 4-6:40-9:40
Footloose (PG) Fri 1:10-3:50
Happy Feet Two (PG) Fri 12:45-3:30
The Hunger Games (STC) Thu 12:02
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri-Thu 7-9:45
John Carter 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-2-3:45-5-6:45-8-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:45-5-6:45-8-9:30
Project X (18A) Fri 7:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:45-7:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:45-10:15
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:10
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Fri-Sun 1-3:30 Mon-Thu 3:30
Sholem Aleichem: Laughing in the Darkness (STC) Fri 6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:30-9:20
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:10-9:50 Mon-Wed 4:20-7:10-9:50 Thu 4:20-7:10

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21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:30-4:30-7:25-10:05 No Passes Sun 1:30-4:20-7:05-9:50 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:10-4-6:45-9:30 No Passes Thu 2-4:40-7:30-10:10 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:05-2:45-5:25-8:05-10:45 No Passes Sun 2:15-5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:55-4:40-7:25-10:10 No Passes Thu 1-3:40-6:20-9
Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sat 12-2:40-5:20-7:50-10:30 Sun-Thu 2:40-5:20-7:50-10:10
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 1:05 Mon-Thu 2:50
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sun 3:30-5:50-8:10-10:25 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:25-9:50
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-4-7:10-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 1-4:05-7:10-10:15
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30 Mon-Thu 1:30
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 3-5:30-7:50 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 1:15-3:40-6-8:20-10:45 Sun 1:15-3:40-6-8:20-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:15-7:40-10
Safe House (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:15
This Means War (14A) Fri-Sat 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Sun-Thu 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Sat 12:40-3:05-5:30-8-10:35 Sun 12:30-2:55-5:20-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:20-7:40-10
The Vow (PG) Fri-Sun 10:20 Mon-Thu 9:55

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1800 Sheppard Ace. E., 416-644-7746

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri 2:40-5:15-8-10:30 No Passes Sat 12:10-2:40-5:15-8-10:30 No Passes Sun-Tue 1:50-4:45-7:25-10 No Passes Wed 4:45-7:25-10 No Passes Thu 1:50-4:45-7:25-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 1:10 Mon-Thu 1:20
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sat 3:30-5:45-8:10-10:20 Sun-Thu 3:30-5:45-8-10:05
E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG) Sat 11
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:10-7:10-9:50 Sun-Tue 1:40-4:10-7:10-9:45 Wed 4:10-7:15-9:45 Thu 1:40-4:10-7:10-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
I Am Bruce Lee (STC) Sat 12:45
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:20-10:10
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri 2:50 Sat 12:30 Sun 12:35 Mon-Thu 2
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri 5:20-7:50 Sat-Sun 2:50-5:20-7:50 Mon-Tue 4:30-7:05 Wed 4:30 Thu 4:30-7:05
Project X (18A) Fri 3:10-5:25-7:40-10 Sat 12:50-3:10-5:25-7:40-10 Sun 12:50-3:10-5:25-7:40-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:10-5:25-7:40-9:55
Safe House (14A) Fri 1:30-4:15-7-9:55 Sat 4:15-7-9:55 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-9:40
Silent House (14A) Fri 2:45-5:10-7:30-10:05 Sat 12:45-2:45-5:10-7:30-10:05 Sun 12:30-2:45-5:10-7:30-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:10-7:30-9:50
This Means War (14A) Fri 3-5:30-8:05-10:25 Sat 12:40-3-5:30-8:05-10:25 Sun 12:40-3-5:30-7:55-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:40-7:10-9:35
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sun 10:10 Mon-Thu 10:15

William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Scarborough

Coliseum Scarborough
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4-7:15-10 No Passes Sun-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:15-9:55 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:15-2:55-5:35-8:15-11 No Passes Sun-Wed 2:30-5:10-7:50-10:30 No Passes Thu 1-3:40-6:20-9
E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG) Sat 11
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01
John Carter (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:20-3:40-7-10:10 No Passes Sun-Tue 1-4-7-10 No Passes Wed 1-4-7-10:20 No Passes Thu 1-4-7-10
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:40 No Passes Sun-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:25-10:25
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sat 12:40 Sun-Thu 1:05
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 3:05-5:30-7:55-10:20 Sun-Thu 4:10-7:05-9:45
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 1:30-3:50-6:10-8:30-10:50 Sun-Thu 2-5-8-10:20
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:35 Sun-Thu 1:55-4:45-7:40-10:30
This Means War (14A) Fri-Sat 12:35-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:40 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:15-10:05
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Sat 1:10-3:30-5:50-8:10-10:30 Sun-Thu 1:45-5:15-7:45-10:10
Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG) Fri-Sat 2-5-7:40-10:25 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:15
UnOfficially Yours (STC) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:35-10:15
The Vow (PG) Fri-Sat 12:30-3-5:40-8:20-10:55 Sun-Tue 1:35-4:35-7:10-9:55 Wed 1:35-4:35-9:55 Thu 1:35-4:35-7:10-9:55
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Eglinton Town Centre
1901 Eglinton Ave. E., 416-752-4494

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri 12-1:30-2:40-4:15-5:20-7-8-9:45-10:45 No Passes Sat 12-1:45-2:40-4:30-5:20-7:10-8-9:55-10:45 No Passes Sun 1:10-2-4-4:40-6:45-7:30-9:30-10:15 No Passes Mon-Wed 4-4:45-6:45-7:30-9:30-10:15 No Passes Thu 4-4:45-6:35-7:30-9:20-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Act of Valor (14A) Fri 2-4:45-7:30-10:15 Sat 4:45-7:30-10:15 Sun 1:40-4:20-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-6:55-9:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sat 12:10-2:30-5-7:30-10 Sun 1:30-4-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 4-6:30-9
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri 1:15-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:35 Sat 10:50-1:15-3:30-5:55-8:20-10:35 Sun 12:10-2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 5-7:30-10
E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG) Sat 11
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri-Sat 2:15-5-7:45-10:25 Sun 1:30-4:15-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:15-7-9:50
Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (14A) Fri-Sat 12:35-3:10-5:40-8:10-10:40 Sun 2:10-4:45-7:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:20-9:50
Goon (18A) Fri-Sat 10:35 Sun-Thu 10:10
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01
I Am Bruce Lee (STC) Sat 12:45
John Carter (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:10-7:20-10:30 No Passes Sun 1-4:05-7:10-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:05-7:10-10:15
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sat 12:30 Sun 12
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 2:55-5:25-8 Sun 2:30-5:05-7:35 Mon-Thu 5:05-7:35
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 12:40-3-5:25-7:55-10:25 Sun 12:40-3-5:10-7:25-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:25-9:45
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:20-7:10-10 Sun 1:40-4:25-7:15-10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:15-10
Silent House (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-3:40-6-8:25-10:45 Sun 12:05-2:20-4:50-7:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:15-9:35
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri 12:15-2:40-5:05-7:35-10:05 Sat 11:15-12:15-2:40-5:05-7:35-10:05 Sun 12:15-2:40-5:05-7:40-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:40-7-9:20 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Vow (PG) Fri-Sat 12:30-3:10-5:30-7:50-10:20 Sun 12:30-2:50-5:30-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:50-9:30
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sat 12-2:30-5:05-7:35-10:05 Sun 12-2:25-5-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 5-7:35-10:05

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21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:35 No Passes Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 No Passes Mon 5:30-8:20 No Passes Tue 5-7:50-10:25 No Passes Wed-Thu 5:30-8:20
Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sat 2:45-5:20-7:50-10:35 Sun 2:45-5:20-7:50-10:25 Mon 5:20-8:05 Tue 4:40-7:15-9:55 Wed-Thu 5:20-8:05
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 12:20-2:30-4:45-7-9:20 Mon 4:30-7:10 Tue 4:30-6:45-9 Wed-Thu 4:30-7:10
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:30-5:45-8:10-10:20 Mon 6-8:10 Tue 3:30-5:30-7:40-9:50 Wed-Thu 6-8:10
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1-4:15-7:10-10:10 No Passes Mon 5-8 No Passes Tue 4:10-7:10-10:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 5-8

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Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-2:40-5-7:20 Mon 4:50 Tue 4-7:20 Wed-Thu 4:50
Project X (18A) Fri-Sat 1:45-4-6:15-8:25-10:40 Sun 1:45-4-6:15-8:25-10:30 Mon 6:20-8:30 Tue 5:20-8:10-10:30 Wed-Thu 6:20-8:30
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sun 2:15-5:10-7:40-10:20 Mon 5:10-7:50 Tue 5:10-8-10:30 Wed-Thu 5:10-7:50
Silent House (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-3:45-5:55-8:15-10:25 Mon 6:10-8:30 Tue 3:45-5:55-8:05-10:20 Wed-Thu 6:10-8:30
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:15-6:05-8:20-10:30 Mon 4:40-7:40 Tue 4:50-7:30-9:45 Wed-Thu 4:40-7:40
Tyler Perry's Good Deeds (PG) Fri-Sun 2-4:30-7:30-10 Mon 4:35-7:30 Tue 4:20-7-10 Wed-Thu 4:35-7:30
The Vow (PG) Fri-Sun 9:45 Mon 7:20 Tue 9:40 Wed-Thu 7:20

Kennedy Commons 20
33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sun 11-1:50-4:40-7:20-10:10 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:20-10:10
Aravaan (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:45-3-6:30-9:50 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3-6:30-9:50
The Artist (PG) Fri-Sun 11:05-1:40-4:05-6:35-9:05 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:05-6:35-9:05
Contraband (14A) Fri-Sun 11:40-5-10:20 Mon-Thu 5-10:20
The Descendants (14A) Fri-Sun 11:20-2:15-5:05-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:15-5:05-7:50-10:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 11:40-2-4:25-6:50-9:10 Mon-Thu 2-4:25-6:50-9:10
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sun 11-1:35-3:50-6:10-8:30 Mon-Thu 1:35-3:50-6:10-8:30
Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close (PG) Fri-Sun 10:40-1:30-4:30-7:25-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:25-10:25
The Flowers of War (STC) Fri-Thu 5:55-9
Friends With Kids (STC) Fri-Sun 11:20-2-4:25-6:50-9:10 Mon-Thu 2-4:25-6:50-9:10
Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-10:15
The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (18A) Fri-Sun 11:30-3-6:30-10 Mon-Thu 3-6:30-10
Hugo 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 10:40-1:30-4:15-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:15-7:15-10:15
The Iron Lady (PG) Fri-Sun 11:10-1:45-4:15-6:45-9:15 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:15-6:45-9:15
Kahaani (14A) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:45-7-10:25 Mon-Thu 3:45-7-10:25
Love (STC) Fri-Sun 10:45-1:55-4:45-7:40-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:45-7:40-10:30
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:50-1:10-3:40 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3:40
A Separation (14A) Fri-Sun 10:30-1:15-4-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 1:15-4-6:40-9:30
Silent House (14A) Fri-Sun 11:15-1:20-3:30-5:40-8-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:30-5:40-8-10:20
Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 10:40-4:15-7:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15
Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (14A) Fri-Thu 2:10-7:30
Wanderlust (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:15-1:40-4:10-6:40-9:05 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:40-4:10-6:40-9:05

Woodside Cinemas
1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

Aravaan (14A) Fri-Thu 7-10
Jodi Breakers (PG) Fri-Thu 9:30
Massi (STC) Fri-Thu 7-10
Tere Naal Love Ho Gaya (G) Fri-Thu 6:45

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377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

The Adventures of Tintin (PG) Fri-Sun 12-1:50-3:45-5:40
Big Miracle (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1:55-3:50-7:50 Mon-Thu 1-5:15-7:05
The Grey (14A) Fri-Sun 7:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 1:10-3-7:10-9:10
Hugo (PG) Fri-Sun 5:40 Mon-Thu 5
Mission: Impossible — Ghost Protocol (PG) Fri-Sun 4:50-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 1:20-4-6:30-8:50
Puss in Boots (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:35-3:10
Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows (PG) Fri-Sun 9 Mon-Thu 3-9
Underworld: Awakening (18A) Fri-Sun 9:40 Mon-Thu 3:25-9:15
We Bought a Zoo (PG) Fri-Sun 12-2:15-4:30-6:45 Mon-Thu 1:15-5-7:05

Coliseum 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:20-2:10-4:10-5-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:20 No Passes Sun-Tue 1:20-2:10-4:10-5-6:50-7:30-9:30-10:10 No Passes Wed 2:10-4:10-5-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:20 No Passes Thu 1:20-2:10-4:10-5-6:50-7:30-9:30-10:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G) Fri 2:30-4:30 Sat 12:10-2:30-4:30 Sun-Thu 2:30-4:30
Chronicle (14A) Fri-Sun 6:40-8:50 Mon 9:45 Tue-Thu 6:40-8:50
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Tue 1:30-4-6:10-8:20 Wed 4-6:10-8:20 Thu 1:30-4-6:10-8:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri 2:20-3-4:40-5:15-7-7:30-9:10 Sat 12-12:50-2:20-3-4:40-5:15-7-7:30-9:10 Sun-Tue 2:20-3-4:40-5:15-7-7:40-9:10 Wed 2:20-3-4:40-5:15-7-7:30-9:10 Thu 2:20-3-4:40-5:15-7-7:40-9:10
E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG) Sat 11
Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (14A) Fri-Tue 2:05-4:50-7:10-9:20 Wed 2:05-4:25 Thu 2:05-4:50-7:10-9:20
Gone (14A) Fri-Thu 9:50
The Hunger Games (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01-12:10
The Hunger Games: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Thu 12:01
John Carter (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:40-5:40-8:30
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Thu 10:30
John Carter: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 1-3:50-6:45-9:40 No Passes Thu 1-3:50-6:45
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 3:30-5:50-8:10
Labyrinth (STC) Mon 7
Project X (18A) Fri 3:20-5:30-7:50-10 Sat 3:20-5:30-7:50-10:10 Sun-Wed 3:20-5:30-7:50-10 Thu 3:20-5:30-7:50-11:10
Safe House (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:20-10
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri 1:50-4:15-6:30-9 Sat 11:40-1:50-4:15-6:30-9 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:15-6:30-9
William Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (STC) Wed 7

Courtney Park 16
110 Courtney Park Dr., 905-362-1210

21 Jump Street (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:15-11-12:50-1:35-3:45-4:15-7-7:30-10-10:30 Special Engagement Mon-Wed 1:35-3:45-4:15-7-7:30-10-10:30 Special Engagement Thu 1:35-3:45-4:15-7-7:30-10:30
Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:20-4:50-8:10-10:40 Mon-Thu 2:20-4:50-8:10-10:40
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 10-11:35-1:40-2:15-3:45-5:50-6:30-8-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:40-2:15-3:45-5:50-6:30-8-10:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sun 11-12:10-1:10-3:15-4:20-5:20-7:30-9:30-10 Mon-Thu 1:10-3:15-4:20-5:20-7:30-9:30-10
Friends With Kids (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10-12:30-3-5:30-8-10:40 Mon-Wed 3-5:30-8-10:40 Thu 3-5:30-8
The Hunger Games (STC) Special Engagement Thu 12:02
The Hunger Games: The IMAX Experience (PG) Special Engagement Thu 12:01
John Carter (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 11:30-3-6:30-9:45 Special Engagement Sun 3-6:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 3-6:30-9:45
John Carter 3D (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:10-1-4-7:15-10:15 Mon-Wed 1-4-7:15-10:15 Thu 1-4-7:15
John Carter: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:30-1:30-4:30-7:45-10:45 Mon-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:45-10:45 Thu 1:30-4:30-7:45
Project X (18A) Fri-Sun 11:45-1:55-4:05-6:15-8:25-10:45 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:05-6:15-8:25-10:45
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sun 10:20-12:55-3:35-7:40-10:35 Mon-Thu 3:35-7:40-10:35
Silent House (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:20-1:45-3:55-6:10-8:20-10:35 Mon-Thu 1:45-3:55-6:10-8:20-10:35
This Means War (14A) Fri-Sun 11:35-4:30-9:35 Mon-Thu 4:30-9:35
A Thousand Words (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:25-1-3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 1-3:10-5:30-7:50-10:10
The Vow (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:50
Wanderlust (STC) Fri-Sun 10:40-1:05-3:25-5:40-8:05-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:25-5:40-8:05-10:25

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20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

21 Jump Street (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:20-4:15-7:10-10:10 No Passes Sun 1:20-4:15-7:10-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:10-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Act of Valor (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:40-9:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 12:35 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D (G) Fri-Sat 2:50-5:15-7:40-10:05 Sun 2:50-5:15-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:35-9:55
Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance 3D (14A) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:15 Sun 1:50-4:50-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 5-7:40-10
Goon (18A) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:40-7:30-9:55 Sun 1:30-4:40-7:25-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:25-9:45
John Carter 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 No Passes Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:45-6:50-9:50
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri-Sun 1-3:45-6:20 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:20
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Eva steps up her girlfriend game and looks after Ryan's beloved dog

Eva Mendes has reportedly been looking for a way to prove to Ryan Gosling that she's serious about their relationship, and she may have found it.

Mendes is taking care of Gosling's dog, George, while the actor is filming in Thailand, according to Us Weekly.

"He was going to have his friends watch George, but changed his mind at the last minute," a source says.

"That's a huge deal to him. He wouldn't leave that dog with just anyone."

Eva Mendes

Ryan Gosling

Charlize Theron adds a new role to her amazing resumé: Mother

Charlize Theron has become a mother, having adopted a baby, her rep confirms to People magazine.

"She is the proud mom of a healthy baby boy named Jackson," her rep says, though further details on the adoption weren't forthcoming.

A source close to the Oscar-winning actress says Theron "has been trying to adopt a baby for a long time."

Theron, who is currently single, split from boyfriend Stuart Townsend after nine years together.

"Charlize's mom [Gerda] has been helping out with the baby," the source says. "She seems so happy and will be a great mom."

Charlize Theron

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

American Idol gossip

Jermaine Jones: You're fired!

THE WORD
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Here's the thing: You can get away with a few little white lies on your resumé if you're applying to, say, a remote Applebee's in some godforsaken strip mall off the Interstate.

But when you are auditioning for one of the most powerful brands in the entire universe, a brand that has billions at their disposal to make sure nothing happens to tarnish their reputation, you should probably be upfront with anything that might come bite you on the butt later.

It seems like American Idol contestant Jermaine Jones didn't get this memo.

The top 12 finalist was disqualified from the show after the powers-that-be learned he'd kept his criminal background under wraps, having four outstanding arrest warrants in his home state of New Jersey and a history of using multiple fake names with cops.

And so executive producers Nigel Lythgoe and Ken Warwick fired him on national TV Wednesday night, Donald Trump style.

However, the drama leading up to the evening (blogs have been buzzing with the Jones news since The Smoking Gun uncovered the news) did nothing to boost the show's ratings.

In fact, it was down five per cent from last week.

Russell Brand ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Is Russell Brand working through some rage issues?

New Orleans police have issued a warrant for Russell Brand in connection to an earlier incident during which Brand reportedly hurled a paparazzo's iPhone into an office window, according to TMZ.

The warrant is for simple criminal damage to property, a misdemeanor. The website previously reported that immediately following the incident Monday, reps for Brand contacted the law office involved and said Brand would pay for the damage to the window.

And while Brand has made no official comment on the incident, he did make light of it on Twitter, posting, "Since Steve Jobs died I cannot bear to see anyone use an iPhone irreverently, what I did was a tribute to his memory."

Twitter

@debimazar
Any bklyn realtors on twitter?

@SandraBernhard
i was just told to follow @sandrabernhard1 who isn't me but not doing a bad impression.

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Is Jennifer Aniston hiding a l'il baby bump?

Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux have reportedly been telling friends that they're ready to start a family, according to Life & Style Weekly.

And if that isn't enough to stoke pregnancy rumors, Aniston was reportedly eschewing booze during some Academy Awards festivities.

"I saw Jen Oscar week, and she couldn't stop smiling," a source says.

"She was actually less lean and less muscular than I had expected her to be — her body looked softer. In the dress she wore, it really did look like she had a baby bump."

Liquid Assets

A strong tradition of Irish sippers

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For such a wee piece of geography, Ireland certainly holds its own when it comes to the creation of classic booze. Think Bailey's Irish Cream liqueur, Jameson Irish whisky and, the true liquid personality of Ireland, Guinness Stout.

Of course, there are other Irish beverages on the shelves at your liquor store that deserve equal attention — especially with tomorrow being Saint Patrick's Day.

When I was on the Emerald Isle a few years ago, I got a chance to head to Northern Ireland and visit The Old Bushmills Distillery: a producer of wonderful triple distilled whiskies since 1608 (which makes it the world's oldest licensed spirit maker).

Every drop that goes by the name Bushmills is created there and the handmade attention to detail comes across in every filled glass — one of which you get to choose at the end of the tour.

My pick was the Bushmills 10 Year Old Single Malt Irish Whiskey ($39.95 - $48.99). Made with 100 per cent malted barley and aged in barrels that once housed American bourbon, it's a rich, complex whiskey with warm honey overtones and a long, palate-massaging finish. Sláinte.

PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.

This recipe makes six servings. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A meal that would make St. Paddy proud

Dublin Coddle. Try this healthier version of the one-dish meal considered to be one of Ireland's most delicious national dishes

Traditionally made with both bacon and sausage to flavour a base of potatoes and onions, Dublin coddle is an insanely good one-dish meal. And it would be a great choice for St. Patrick's Day. Assuming, that is, it can be worked into a healthy diet.

Start by opting for leaner meats that still pack tons of flavour, including Canadian bacon, which actually is closer than American bacon to rashers, the variety of pork used in Irish cooking.

Canadian bacon and Irish rashers are made from the back loin of the pig rather than the fattier pork belly used for American-style bacon.

For the sausage, switch to chicken sausage, which is high in flavour, and generally has far less fat and calories than traditional sausage.

The herbs and seasonings already serve the meal well, so don't mess around with those. But add a few extra vegetable because, hey, we could all use a few extra servings of those.

And for a final punch of flavour, add apples and apple cider.

1 In a large Dutch oven over medium-high, heat the oil. Add the Canadian bacon and sauté until lightly browned, 3 to 4 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, transfer the bacon to a small bowl.

2 Add the sausage to the pan and brown the slices on both sides, about 3 to 4 minutes per side. Transfer the sausage to the bowl of bacon. Add the onions and garlic to the pan, then sauté for 7 to 8 minutes, or until they begin to brown. Stir in the sage, thyme and parsley.

3 Add the russet and sweet potatoes, carrots, apples and reserved meat. Pour the apple cider and chicken stock over everything. Cover and set over medium-low heat. Cook until the vegetables and potatoes are very tender, about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Season with salt and pepper. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) canola oil
- 3/4 cup (6 oz) Canadian bacon, chopped
- 1 1/4 cups (10 oz) chicken sausages, sliced into 2.5 cm (1-inch)-thick diagonal slices
- 2 large yellow onions, sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) each chopped fresh sage and thyme
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) chopped parsley
- 2 large russet potatoes, cut into thick slices
- 1 large sweet potato, cut into thick slices
- 2 carrots and 2 apples, cut into 2.5 cm (1-inch) chunks
- 250 ml (1 cup) apple cider
- 250 ml (1 cup) chicken stock
- Salt and black pepper

This recipes makes six servings. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Irish Lamb Stew. Keep it traditional

Lamb and potatoes are a hearty springtime meal that is perfect served with some Irish soda bread and a crisp salad to round out your dinner.

1 Sprinkle lamb with salt and pepper.

2 In a large Dutch oven or heavy-bottomed pan heat oil over medium-high heat; working in batches, add lamb to pan and sear on all sides, making sure not to overcrowd pan. As each batch is browned, use a slotted spoon or tongs to transfer it to a plate.

3 Add leeks, onions, carrots, parsnips, broth, bay leaves and thyme to pan with browned lamb. Bring mixture to a simmer; cover and cook for 1 hour. Add potatoes and cook for about 30 minutes or until potatoes and lamb are tender when pierced with a fork.

4 Remove bay leaves and thyme stems. Stir in parsley and season with additional salt and black pepper, if needed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS (PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR, TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSOOKS.CA

Ingredients

- 1 kg (2 lb) lamb stew meat, cut in 4-cm (1 1/2-inch) pieces
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) each salt and fresh black pepper
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 2 leeks, white parts only, sliced
- 2 onions, chopped
- 500 g (1 lb) each carrots and parsnips, cut into 4-cm (1 1/2 inch) pieces
- 1 L (4 cups) vegetable broth
- 3 bay leaves and 3 leaves fresh thyme
- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) new potatoes
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) fresh parsley

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Fun facts

Get to know St. Patrick

• St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was not Irish but Welsh. When he was about 16, he was captured by Irish raiders and taken to Ireland as a slave. After escaping, he went home and entered the church but returned to Ireland as an ordained bishop.

• St. Patrick's Day is observed March 17 because it is believed that he died on March 17 in the year 461 AD.

• The phrase "drowning the shamrock" is from a custom of floating a shamrock on top of whiskey before drinking it.

• About 10 per cent of Canadians, or more than three million people, are of Irish descent. The population of Ireland is 4.1 million.

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On the web

Toast 'auld sod' this St. Patrick's Day with beer- or whiskey-based cocktails.

What's happening in Hogtown?

Have a few gaps in your schedule you're looking to fill?
Whether you're hoping to dance, drink or play pinball, check out these hot upcoming events courtesy of Notable.ca
To get even more info on these Notable happenings make sure to check out Notable.ca/toronto/metro/March15

JULIAN BRASS
Founder of notable.ca, Canada's online source for young professionals

World's weirdest pop-up dinner

Bob Blumer is hosting this oddball night of gastronomical frights at the Drake Hotel on March 26th. How does a beef shortrib and fenugreek cream curry-tumeric served in a toilet bowl sound? One thing's certain; this is a foodie event not to be missed. Reservations are required — so call ahead!

St. Paddy's day in the city

Some call it St. Party's Day, some call it the day of the Irish, but for most, St. Paddy's Day is simply an excuse to get out with your crew and have a killer time. The luck of the Irish landed the 17th on a Saturday, thus the partying can head early into Sunday's wee hours. Where should you go? We've got the rundown of the best St. Paddy's spots in the city at notable.ca

Toronto Wine and Cheese Show

This weekend marks the return of the Toronto Wine and Cheese Show at the International Centre in Mississauga. Wine events, a beer pavilion, celebrity chef demonstrations, some of the best local farmers, wineries, and the like will abound at this celebration of everyone's favourite pairing. Check it out from the 16th through the 18th.

2012 National Home Show

With summer fast approaching, now is the perfect time to refresh and renew your homestead. And what better way than with a trip to Canada's largest home and garden show? The showcase is overflowing with everything you could possibly need to breathe new life into your home, and it takes over the Direct Energy Centre from the 16th through the 25th.

Drake Hotel's Cocktail Bar

It's tiny but perfect. The Drake's new cocktail bar — conveniently situated in the downstairs dining room — features 25 expertly-concocted cocktails ranging from the Hanky Panky to the Boulevardier. They've also added in an enomatic wine saver for a large selection of by-the-glass vinos. It's the Drake's cocktail program we've all grown to love, just to the next level.

The Idan Raichel Project

To celebrate the release of their latest album, Traveling Home, The Idan Raichel Project — with a hyped backup courtesy of a 10-piece orchestra — will wow the crowd during a concert performance March 18th at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The set is part of the Motek Cultural Initiative's inaugural gala.

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Leafs snap out of losing skid

Maple Leafs defenceman Jake Gardiner skates toward the bench to celebrate his goal against the Lightning with his teammates on Thursday night in Tampa, Fla. James Reimer made 34 saves, taking a shutout into the final minute as Toronto snapped a five-game skid with a 3-1 win over Tampa Bay. John-Michael Liles and Joey Crabb also scored for the Maple Leafs, who are 3-13-2 in their last 18 games.

BRIAN BLANCO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Raptors

Barbose traded to Indiana

The Toronto Raptors suddenly have more money in their pocket to go shopping with this summer.

The Raptors traded guard Leandro Barbosa to the Indiana Pacers for a second-round draft pick and cash Thursday in a move made with the future in mind.

Team president and GM Bryan Colangelo said dealing Barbosa, whose expiring contract will pay him $7.6 million US this season, was about creating financial flexibility for this summer's free-agency period.

The Raptors also waived guard Anthony Carter.

"This is really a positive situation not only for Leandro but positive for us because of the flexibility that it opens up," Colangelo said.

The 29-year-old Barbosa has averaged 12.6 points per game in his nine-year career.

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Leandro Barbosa
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With Crosby back, Pens keep on rolling

NHL. Pittsburgh captain has assist in his first game back, as team beats Rangers

Sidney Crosby's return after three months of inactivity didn't hurt the chemistry of the Pittsburgh Penguins one bit as they surged closer to the Eastern Conference-leading New York Rangers.

Crosby played for the first time since another bout with concussion symptoms forced him to the sidelines Dec. 5. He got on the score sheet Thursday night with an assist as the Penguins stretched their winning streak to 10 by beating the Rangers 5-2.

It marked the first time this season New York allowed five goals.

Now the Penguins trail the Rangers by just four points in the races for the East and the Atlantic Division, and Pittsburgh has 13 games left — to only 12 for New York - to chase them down.

After missing 40 games during his latest stint on the shelf, Crosby played on a third line with Matt Cooke and Tyler Kennedy. Cooke scored twice, Kennedy had two assists and NHL points leader Evgeni Malkin added a goal for the Penguins, who haven't lost since Feb. 19 at Buffalo. Pittsburgh's winning streak started two days later with a 2-0 home victory against the Rangers.

Sidney Crosby celebrates a teammate's goal against the Rangers on Thursday. Pittsburgh won 5-2. NICK LAHAM/GETTY IMAGES

Crosby assisted on Chris Kunitz's goal that made it 4-2 at 3:01 of the third period, shortly after the Rangers had killed a four-minute, high-sticking penalty on Stu Bickel. Crosby swung behind the New York net and found Kunitz in the left circle for a shot that beat Martin Biron.

Pascal Dupuis pushed the Penguins' lead to 5-2 at 7:35. Crosby didn't figure in the scoring on that one, as Dupuis put in a rebound of defenceman Paul Martin's shot, but he was on the ice for three of Pittsburgh's goals.

Cooke gave the Penguins a 1-0 lead just 2:54 in, and Malkin and Cooke connected 1:22 apart in the second period to stretch the advantage to 3-1.

Marc-Andre Fleury made 29 saves to earn his ninth win during the Penguins' streak.

Carl Hagelin got the Rangers even at 1-1 in the first period, and Marian Gaborik brought New York within 3-2 late in the second with his 35th goal. Brad Richards had two assists, and Gaborik and Hagelin both had one for the potent line that has scored the team's last seven goals over three games.

Biron stopped 27 shots, but the Rangers lost for the fourth time in five games.

As the Penguins are getting healthy, the Rangers are still missing key cogs from their lineup. Biron was forced to start his second straight game in place of Henrik Lundqvist, New York's No. 1 goalie who is still feeling the effects of the flu. The Rangers were also without forward Ryan Callahan (bruised foot), who sat out for the sixth time in nine games, and defenceman Michael Del Zotto (hip), who has missed five of eight.

The Penguins not only got Crosby back on Thursday but also defenceman Kris Letang, who was dealing with concussion issues as well. Letang had missed the previous five games, and had been sidelined for 21 earlier this season.

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NCAA

Thursday's results

- Kansas State 70, Southern Mississippi 64
- Syracuse 72, UNC Asheville 65
- Gonzaga 77, West Virginia 54
- Murray State 58, Colorado State 41
- Marquette 88, BYU 68
- Kentucky 81, Western Kentucky 66

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Bills aggressive in adding top defender Williams

NFL. After two days of courtship, Buffalo signs coveted defensive end to whopping contract

Mario Williams, centre, poses with Bills general manager Buddy Nix, left, and coach Chan Gailey Thursday in Orchard Park, N.Y. DAVID DUPREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Free agent Mario Williams says he was so nervous when it came time to sign his contract with the Buffalo Bills, he almost forgot his name.

No one in Buffalo will soon forget it.

Williams was introduced at a news conference Thursday after signing a contract touted as the richest ever given to an NFL defensive player — a deal worth up to $100 million with $50 million guaranteed, according to his agent, Ben Dogra.

Williams had been in Buffalo since the NFL's free agency period opened Tuesday, having been flown in from his home in North Carolina.

Selected first overall in the 2006 draft by Houston, Williams had a franchise-best 53 sacks in six seasons with the Texans.

Listed at 6-foot-6 and 285 pounds, the pass rusher is a two-time Pro Bowl starter, and set a single-season team record with 14 sacks in 2007. Williams was limited to playing just five games last season as a result of a torn chest muscle. He also missed three games in 2010 after having surgery to repair a sports hernia.

After quarterback Peyton Manning, Williams has been regarded as one of the top free agents available this off-season.

The Bills regarded improving their pass rush as their top off-season priority after managing just 29 sacks last season — 10 of them coming in one game.

The Williams signing comes at a hefty price for a small-market team that has hit hard times since its Jim Kelly-led heyday in the early 1990s. The Bills were 6-10 last season and have missed the playoffs for 12 straight years — the NFL's longest active drought.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-NY Rangers	70	44	19	2	5	194	155	95	24-8-0-2	20-11-2-3	5-4-1-0	L1
d-Boston	69	40	26	1	2	223	170	83	20-13-1-1	20-13-0-1	4-6-0-0	L3
d-Florida	69	33	23	5	8	171	193	79	18-9-1-7	15-14-4-1	6-3-0-1	W2
Pittsburgh	69	43	21	2	3	224	175	91	24-8-2-0	19-13-0-3	10-0-0-0	W
Philadelphia	70	41	22	2	5	226	199	89	18-10-1-4	23-12-1-1	8-2-0-0	W2
New Jersey	71	41	25	2	3	196	182	87	20-12-0-3	21-13-2-0	6-3-1-0	W1
Ottawa	71	36	25	6	4	218	209	82	18-13-2-2	18-12-4-2	5-3-0-2	L2
Washington	70	36	28	3	3	189	197	78	23-10-1-2	13-18-2-1	7-2-1-0	W4
Buffalo	71	33	29	4	5	178	201	75	18-11-3-5	15-18-1-0	6-2-1-1	L1
Winnipeg	70	33	29	4	4	186	197	74	22-10-1-3	11-19-3-1	5-3-1-1	W1
Tampa Bay	70	32	31	4	3	198	237	71	21-12-1-1	11-19-3-2	5-4-1-0	L1
Toronto	71	31	32	4	4	205	218	70	16-13-3-3	15-19-1-1	2-7-0-1	W1
Carolina	71	27	29	9	6	185	211	69	18-13-1-5	9-16-8-1	4-3-2-1	W1
Montreal	71	28	32	3	8	188	198	67	13-15-2-6	15-17-1-2	4-5-1-0	W1
NY Islanders	71	28	32	7	4	165	209	67	15-16-5-1	13-16-3-2	2-5-2-1	L5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-St. Louis	72	45	19	1	7	186	141	98	28-4-1-3	17-15-0-4	7-2-0-1	L2
d-Vancouver	70	42	20	1	7	219	177	92	20-10-0-4	22-10-1-2	4-4-1-1	L2
d-Dallas	71	39	27	1	4	188	188	83	20-12-0-3	19-15-1-1	8-1-0-1	L1
Detroit	71	44	24	1	2	219	171	91	28-4-1-1	16-20-0-1	3-6-0-1	L3
Nashville	69	41	21	3	4	200	179	89	23-8-2-3	18-13-1-1	7-2-0-1	W3
Chicago	71	38	25	4	4	213	209	84	24-7-1-4	14-18-3-0	5-4-0-1	W1
Phoenix	71	35	25	3	8	187	182	81	18-12-2-4	17-13-1-4	4-4-0-2	W1
Colorado	73	38	30	3	2	191	194	81	21-15-0-1	17-15-3-1	6-3-0-1	L1
San Jose	69	34	25	5	5	189	178	78	19-11-2-1	15-14-3-4	2-5-1-2	L1
Calgary	70	33	25	5	7	176	193	78	19-9-1-4	14-15-4-3	5-1-1-3	W4
Los Angeles	70	33	25	5	7	159	153	78	18-13-0-4	15-12-5-3	6-4-0-0	W2
Anaheim	71	30	30	5	6	177	196	71	19-14-2-0	11-16-3-6	4-5-1-0	W1
Minnesota	70	29	31	2	8	150	194	68	15-14-1-3	14-17-1-5	2-7-0-1	L2
Edmonton	70	27	36	3	4	185	209	61	17-15-2-2	10-21-1-2	3-6-1-0	W1
Columbus	70	22	41	2	5	161	226	51	13-20-1-2	9-21-1-3	4-6-0-0	L3

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
Carolina 2 St. Louis 0
Philadelphia 3 N.Y. Islanders 2
Pittsburgh 5 N.Y. Rangers 2
New Jersey 1 Colorado 0 (SO)
Toronto 3 Tampa Bay 1
Florida 6 Boston 2
Phoenix at Calgary
Nashville at San Jose
Wednesday's results
Edmonton 3 Columbus 0
Montreal 3 Ottawa 2 (SO)
Winnipeg 5 Dallas 2
Phoenix 5 Vancouver 4
Anaheim 4 Detroit 0
Colorado 5 Buffalo 4 (SO)
Tonight's games
(All times Eastern)
Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Philadelphia at Boston, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Colorado at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Columbus at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Nashville at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Detroit at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

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First Period
1. Toronto, Liles 6 (Grabovski, Kessel) 1:09 (pp)
Penalties — Lee TB (interference) 0:07, Komisarek Tor (hooking) 2:27, Stamkos TB (holding) 13:08.
Second Period
2. Toronto, Crabb 9 (Lombardi, T.Connolly) 3:27
3. Toronto, Gardiner 5 (Lombardi) 12:28
Penalties — Wallace TB (hooking) 3:51, Grabovski Tor (holding) 10:47, Tampa Bay bench (abusive language; served by Wallace) 11:54, Phaneuf Tor (unsportsmanlike conduct), Stamkos TB (unsportsmanlike conduct, high-sticking) 19:38.
Third Period
4. Tampa Bay, St. Louis 23 (Clark) 19:34
Penalties — Gunnarsson Tor (hooking) 5:18, Phaneuf Tor (hooking) 8:06, Hall TB (tripping) 18:00, Phaneuf Tor (double roughing), Stamkos TB (roughing) 18:38.
Shots

Toronto	4	10	14	28
Tampa Bay	9	12	14	35

Goal (shots-saves) — Toronto: Reimer (W,12-12-4); Tampa Bay: Tokarski (L,1-2-1)(10-7), Roloson (12:28 second)(18-18). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Toronto: 1-6; Tampa Bay: 0-5. **Att.** — 19,204 (19,204) at Tampa, Fla.

PENGUINS 5, RANGERS 2

First Period
1. Pittsburgh, Cooke 13 (Kennedy) 2:54
2. N.Y. Rangers, Hagelin 14 (Richards, Gaborik) 13:36
Penalties — M.Staal NYR (interference) 5:44, Prust NYR (roughing) 10:34, Orpik Pgh (tripping) 18:28.
Second Period
3. Pittsburgh, Malkin 39 (Neal) 1:19
4. Pittsburgh, Cooke 14 (Kennedy, J.Staal) 2:31
5. N.Y. Rangers, Gaborik 35 (Richards, Hagelin) 14:32
Penalties — Bickel NYR (double high-sticking) 18:55, Kunitz Pgh (slashing) 19:37.
Third Period
6. Pittsburgh, Kunitz 21 (Crosby, Neal) 3:01
7. Pittsburgh, Dupuis 19 (Letang, Martin) 7:35
Penalties — None.
Shots

Pittsburgh	11	12	9	32
N.Y. Rangers	6	12	13	31

Goal — Pittsburgh: Fleury (W,38-14-3); N.Y. Rangers: Biron (L,12-5-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Pittsburgh: 0-4; N.Y. Rangers: 0-1. **Atte.** — 18,200 (18,200) at New York.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Stamkos, TB	50	34	84
Malkin, Pgh	38	46	84
Giroux, Pha	25	55	80
Spezza, Ott	29	46	75
Kessel, Tor	34	38	72
Kovalchuk, NJ	30	41	71
Karlsson, Ott	19	51	70
Tavares, NYI	30	39	69
Hossa, Chi	27	42	69
H.Sedin, Vcr	13	55	68
Lupul, Tor	25	42	67
Elias, NJ	24	43	67

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First Round

Padraig Harrington	31-30—61
Will Claxton	33-31—64
Cameron Tringale	33-33—66
John Senden	32-34—66
Kenny Perry	34-32—66
Jason Dufner	33-33—66
William McGirt	34-32—66
Jason Bohn	32-34—66
Jim Furyk	33-33—66
Brendon de Jonge	35-32—67
Stewart Cink	34-33—67
David Toms	34-33—67
Joe Ogilvie	34-33—67
Chris Couch	34-33—67
Justin Rose	34-33—67
Luke Donald	33-34—67
George McNeill	33-34—67
Robert Garrigus	35-32—67
Bryce Molder	37-30—67
Jeff Overton	34-34—68
Kevin Streelman	34-34—68
Chez Reavie	35-33—68
Sergio Garcia	34-34—68
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Michael Thompson	33-35—68
Ken Duke	34-34—68
Sunghoon Kang	35-33—68
Webb Simpson	36-32—68
Gary Woodland	35-33—68
Bud Cauley	36-32—68
Brian Davis	35-34—69
Heath Slocum	35-34—69
Jason Day	34-35—69
D.A. Points	34-35—69
Brandt Snedeker	34-35—69
Jerry Kelly	35-34—69
Retief Goosen	34-35—69
Scott Piercy	38-31—69
Also	
David Hearn	**35-37—72**
Stephen Ames	**36-37—73**
Graham DeLaet	**39-38—77**

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

Yesterday's results
Tampa Bay 6 Philadelphia (ss) 6
Miami 3 N.Y. Mets 1
Philadelphia (ss) 6 Atlanta 4
N.Y. Yankees 8 Washington 5
Detroit 4 Baltimore 2
Toronto 6 Houston 3
Pittsburgh 17 Minnesota 6
St. Louis 9 Boston 6
L.A. Angels 3 Cincinnati 1
Kansas City vs. L.A. Dodgers
Oakland vs. Texas
Chicago White Sox vs. Cleveland
San Diego vs. Milwaukee
Arizona vs. Chicago Cubs (ss)
Chicago Cubs (ss) vs. Colorado
San Francisco vs. Seattle
Today's games
Washington vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Miami vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore vs. Minnesota (ss) at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Detroit vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 1:10 p.m.
Texas vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland vs. L.A. Angels (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (ss) vs. Milwaukee (ss) at Tucson, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (ss) vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (ss) vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.
Houston vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (ss) vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.
Seattle (ss) vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 10:05 p.m.

BLUE JAYS 6, ASTROS 3

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
R.Davis rf	4	1	1	0	J.Schafer cf	2	2	1	0
M.Crouse rf	1	0	0	0	Bourgeois cf	1	0	1	0
Snider dh	4	0	1	2	Ang.Sanchez ss	3	0	1	1
A.Jimenez ph-dh	1	0	0	0	Bixler pr-ss	1	0	0	0
d'Arnaud c	3	1	0	0	J.Martinez lf	3	0	0	1
Gotay 2b	1	0	0	0	T.Buck lf	1	1	1	0
E.Thames lf	4	0	2	1	Ca.Lee 1b	3	0	1	0
J.Marisnick lf	1	1	1	1	S.Moore 1b	1	0	0	0
Cooper 1b	4	0	1	1	F.Martinez dh	3	0	0	0
M.McDade 1b	1	0	0	0	Wallace ph-dh	1	0	0	1
McCoy ss-3b	3	0	1	0	C.Johnson 3b	3	0	1	0
Bocock ss	1	1	1	0	B.Snyder rf	1	0	0	0
Valbuena 3b-ss	3	0	0	0	C.Snyder c	3	0	1	0
Woodward 3b	1	0	0	0	Thurston pr-3b	0	0	0	0
J.Diaz 2b	3	1	2	0	Ruggiano rf	3	0	0	0
Y.Gomes c	1	0	1	0	C.Wallace c	0	0	0	0
Gose cf	4	1	2	1	Altuve 2b	3	0	0	0
M.Gonzalez 2b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	**40**	**6**	**13**	**6**	**Totals**	**32**	**3**	**7**	**3**

Toronto	220	000	011	**6**
Houston	100	001	001	**3**

E—McCoy (2), d'Arnaud (1), Ang.Sanchez (1). DP—Houston 2. LOB—Toronto 8, Houston 3. 2B—Snider (3), E.Thames (2), McCoy (2), Y.Gomes (1), T.Buck (1), Ca.Lee (3). HR—J.Marisnick (1). SB—R.Davis 2 (4), E.Thames (1). CS—Bixler (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
McGowan W,1-0	3	2	1	0	1	3
Drabek	3	1	1	0	0	1
J.Chavez	1	2	0	0	0	0
Gil	1	1	0	0	0	0
Everts	1	1	1	1	0	1
Houston						
Duke L,0-2	4	8	4	4	1	5
Myers	1	1	0	0	0	0
Lyon	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fe.Rodriguez	1	1	0	0	0	0
Harrell	1	2	1	1	0	2
Abad	1	1	1	1	0	2

WP—McGowan.
A—4,235 (5,300).

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pt	GF	GA
Houston	1	0	0	3	1	0
Kansas City	1	0	0	3	1	0
Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	0
Toronto	0	0	0	0	0	0
New York	0	1	0	0	1	2
D.C. United	0	1	0	0	0	1
New England	0	1	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia	0	1	0	0	1	3
Columbus	0	1	0	0	0	2
Montreal	0	1	0	0	0	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pt	GF	GA
Portland	1	0	0	3	3	1
Real Salt Lake	1	0	0	3	3	1
Colorado	1	0	0	3	2	0
Vancouver	1	0	0	3	2	0
Dallas	1	0	0	3	2	1
San Jose	1	0	0	3	1	0
Seattle	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chivas USA	0	1	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles	0	1	0	0	1	3

Note: Three points for victory, 1 point for tie.
Tomorrow's games
All times Eastern
Chicago at Montreal, 2 p.m.
Houston at San Jose, 5 p.m.
New England at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Real Salt Lake, 10 p.m.
Toronto at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Vancouver at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Colorado at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
D.C. United at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.

EUROPA LEAGUE

THIRD ROUND
Second Leg
Yesterday's results
Udinese 2, AZ Alkmaar 1 (AZ advances 3-2 on aggregate)
PSV Eindhoven 1, Valencia 1 (Valencia advances 5-3 on aggregate)
Hannover 4, Standard Liege 0 (Hannover advances 6-2 on aggregate)
Athletic Bilbao 2, Manchester United 1 (Athletic Bilbao advances 5-3 on aggregate)
Besiktas (Turkey) 0, Atletico Madrid (Spain) 3 (Atletico Madrid advances 6-1 on aggregate)
Manchester City (England) 3, Sporting Lisbon (Portugal) 2 (3-3 aggregate, Sporting advances on away goals)
Olympiakos (Greece) 1, Metalist Kharkiv (Ukraine) 2 (2-2 aggregate, Metalist advances on away goals)

LACROSSE

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EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Philadelphia	9	5	4	.556	100	110	—
Rochester	10	5	5	.500	126	121	½
Toronto	9	4	5	.444	104	108	1
Buffalo	8	2	6	.250	93	105	2½

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Colorado	10	8	2	.800	130	129	—
Calgary	10	7	3	.700	135	109	1
Minnesota	8	5	3	.625	103	92	2
Washington	10	3	7	.300	101	121	5
Edmonton	8	2	6	.250	83	90	5

WEEK 11
Tonight's game
All times Eastern
Buffalo at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Edmonton at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Chicago	36	9	.800	—
d-Miami	31	11	.738	3½
Orlando	28	16	.636	7½
d-Philadelphia	25	18	.581	10
Indiana	25	16	.610	9
Atlanta	24	19	.558	11
Boston	23	19	.548	11½
Milwaukee	19	24	.442	16
New York	19	24	.442	16
Cleveland	16	25	.390	18
Detroit	16	27	.372	19
New Jersey	15	29	.341	20½
Toronto	14	29	.326	21
Washington	10	32	.238	24½
Charlotte	6	35	.146	28

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Oklahoma City	32	10	.762	—
d-San Antonio	28	13	.683	3½
d-L.A. Lakers	27	16	.628	5½
L.A. Clippers	24	17	.585	7½
Memphis	24	17	.585	7½
Denver	24	19	.558	8½
Dallas	24	20	.545	9
Houston	24	20	.545	9
Minnesota	22	21	.512	10½
Phoenix	20	22	.476	12
Utah	20	22	.476	12
Portland	20	23	.465	12½
Golden State	18	22	.450	13
Sacramento	14	29	.326	18½
New Orleans	10	34	.227	23

d — division leaders ranked in top four positions regardless of record.

Last night's results
Washington 99 New Orleans 89
Charlotte at Dallas
Oklahoma City at Denver
Minnesota at Utah
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers
Wednesday's results
Indiana 111 Philadelphia 94
New Jersey 98 Toronto 84
New York 121 Portland 79
Houston 107 Charlotte 87
L.A. Lakers 107 New Orleans 101, OT
Milwaukee 115 Cleveland 105
San Antonio 122 Orlando 111
Chicago 106 Miami 102
Detroit 124 Sacramento 112
Boston 105 Golden State 103
L.A. Clippers 96 Atlanta 82
Phoenix 120 Utah 111
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
New Jersey at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Miami at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Memphis, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 9:30 p.m.
Boston at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Detroit at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

SCORING AVERAGE

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Bryant, LAL	43	447	292	1247	29.0
Durant, OKC	42	412	271	1173	27.9
James, MIA	41	417	264	1134	27.7
Love, MIN	39	328	277	1003	25.7
Westbrook, OKC	42	373	208	991	23.6
Wade, MIA	33	294	169	763	23.1
Rose, CHI	34	276	176	776	22.8
D. Williams, NJN	40	293	202	881	22.0
Ellis, GOL	37	305	151	811	21.9

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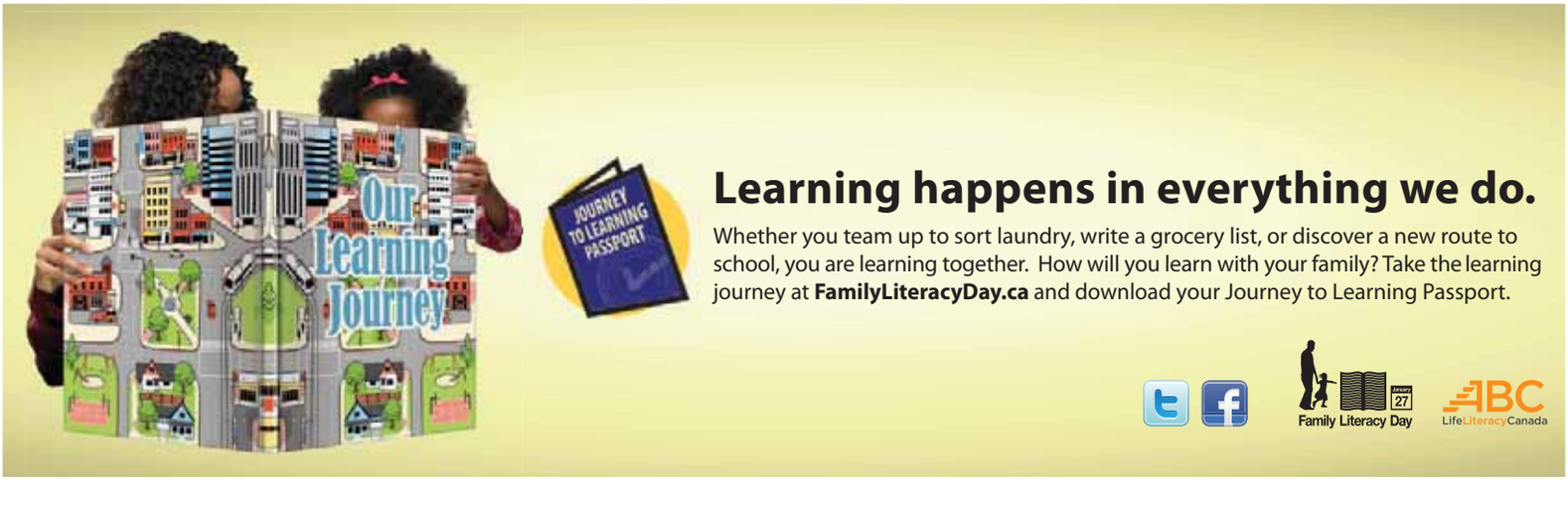
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Big men on the move, but not Howard

NBA. Nene, McGee, Camby traded on deadline day, but Magic star stays put

Nuggets centre Nene controls the ball against Miami's Chris Bosh earlier this season. DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY IMAGES

Dwight Howard agreed to stay in Orlando on a day plenty of other big men were on the move.

Nene, JaVale McGee and Marcus Camby were among the centres who found new homes Thursday before the NBA's trade deadline.

Denver dealt Nene to Washington, just three months after re-signing him to a five-year, $67-million US contract. The Wizards sent JaVale McGee and Ronny Turiaf to Denver and Nick Young to the Los Angeles Clippers, trading away two of their talented young but sometimes immature players.

Washington also picked up forward Brian Cook in the deal, a person with knowledge of the trade told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because it had not been approved by the NBA.

The Lakers got younger at point guard, acquiring Ramon Sessions from Cleveland and sending veteran Derek Fisher to Houston. Swingmen Stephen Jackson and Richard Jefferson were swapped in a Spurs-Warriors deal, and the New Jersey Nets picked up Gerald Wallace from Portland.

The Nets had bigger hopes, though.

They had long been a favourite to land Howard, who had told the Magic before the season he wanted to be traded and listed the Nets as one of his choices. He was eligible for free agency this summer, and Orlando risked losing him for nothing.

Instead, he agreed to waive the early termination option in his contract, committing to stay with the Magic through the 2012-13 season.

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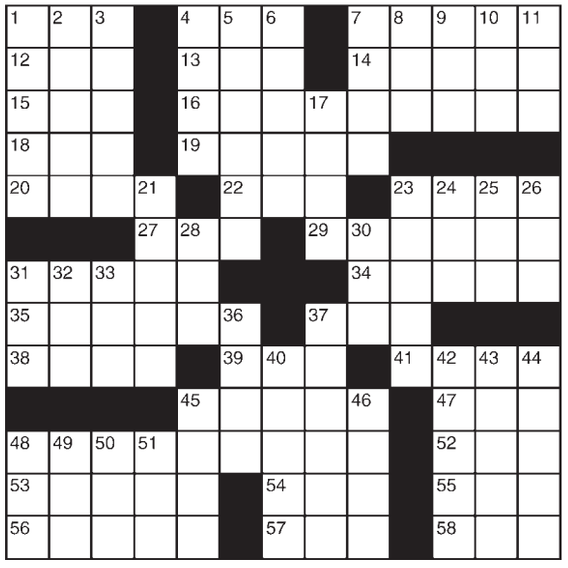

Across

1 Reggae relative
4 Toss in
7 Heathen
12 Fix a skirt, maybe
13 Whopper
14 Battery terminal
15 "The — Daba Honey-moon"
16 Large Asian 18-Across
18 Rodent
19 Beelike
20 Sacred bird of Egypt
22 Flightless bird
23 Jason's craft
27 Listener
29 Potas-sium provider
31 Oust
34 Computer fodder
35 Small chicken
37 Support system?
38 Tourna-ment situations
39 Cinnabar, e.g.
41 Note from the boss
45 Fuss
47 "To be or — ..."
48 Handrail (Var.)
52 Drunkard
53 Foreigner
54 Superla-tive suffix
55 Work with
56 Under a jinx
57 Pigpen
58 Always, in verse

Down

1 Puppeteer Lewis
2 Skewered entree
3 Ritzy fiddle
4 Actress Jessica
5 Baby's garment
6 Jeans material
7 Ache
8 Mandela's org.
9 Sticky stuff
10 Commo-tion
11 Profit
17 Smear
21 Denomi-nations
23 Part of Vietnam
24 Knock
25 Wilde-beest
26 Feedbag tidbit
28 — glance
30 Melody
31 Recede
32 Funny Leno
33 Away from WSW
36 Cattle calls?
37 Command
40 Memory methods
42 Follow
43 Bull-winkle, e.g.
44 Playful water critter
45 Hart's mate
46 Bohemian
48 Scrooge's cry
49 Hearty quaff
50 Kibosh
51 Born

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Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

9		3				8		5
	7		8		4		9	
2			9		3			6
		9	5		8	2		
		5	6		9	7		
6			7		2			8
	9		1		6		2	
1		7				9		4

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Yesterday's answer

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6	4	2	1	7	5	3	8	9
7	3	9	8	6	2	4	5	1
4	1	8	7	5	3	2	9	6
2	6	7	9	8	4	5	1	3
3	9	5	2	1	6	8	4	7
1	8	6	5	2	7	9	3	4
9	2	3	6	4	8	1	7	5
5	7	4	3	9	1	6	2	8

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- **C>P>.** dear Goddess you are my only love and I will not live without you. You are the one I see in my dreams day and night. I cannot live without you. Please come find me before I totally lose my mind. Please goddess let us be together forever. I love you forever and ill be here looking for you forever ... hugs : kisses tickles :((From miserably lost love
- **Mirrorman.** I missed you. Please oh please copy everything i write. Please pretty please copy everything in sight. Clone me baby i want to have copycat kids with you mirrorman. Please sleep with me so we can copy the world. Please copy this my mirrorman lover From Copycat
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Aries | March 21 - April 20. Do something different today, something that disrupts your normal routine. It's time to shake things up.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Even if you're successful, there's always something better you can aim for. The planets urge you to raise your sights, redouble your efforts.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You may have to shout if you want to be heard today, but you must not allow yourself to get emotional, especially at work.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Do the right thing today. Act on principle even if it means you lose out financially. It will balance out.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. According to the planets, you will be dealing with some very important people over the next few days.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. You need to narrow your focus a bit. You need to hone in on what is truly important. Cut out what wastes time.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. Do you stick with what you know and trust or do you risk everything and attempt something new and exciting? Only you can decide.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Think carefully before you decide to end a relationship of some kind. Is the situation really so serious that you can't patch things up?

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. The pace of life will increase dramatically over the next few days. Are you ready? Get help if need be.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. Your main task today is to cut out of your life a project or pursuit that no longer motivates you.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Some of the people you meet today will be rather aggressive and you need to make sure that you don't get aggressive in return.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Someone's been a bit critical of your performance, but if you think about what they have said, you will have to admit they are right. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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